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500 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS HEAD TO PORT EACH MONTH

Shocking new French figures add to fears over new Sangatte centre

HUNDREDS of immigrants are being caught in France every month trying to illegally enter Kent, according to a senior county police officer.

Detective Superintendent Paul Gladstone, from Kent Police, said 500 people were caught by Pas-de-Calais authorities last month alone – and that was an average amount.

The figures, which alarmed the Tories' immigration spokesman, come from French police and have never been released before.

They suggest illegal immigrants have not been deterred by tighter border controls or the closure of the Sangatte refugee camp in Calais in 2002.

EXCLUSIVE

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And they will add to concerns that the new 'Sangatte 2' camp near Calais will attract more people wishing to illegally enter the county.

Prefabricated buildings are being opened by the Mayor of Calais in time for the winter with showers, toilets, a medical centre and an office for charity workers.

It is estimated up to 1,000 migrants are currently sleeping rough in the Calais area.

Det Supt Gladstone told Kent on Sunday that the French figure for the 500 immigrants caught represented a typical month.

"That is an average amount," he said. "Most of these people are dealt with by the equivalent of the French immigration services and will be removed from France, but a lot of them are just turned away."

He said most of those sent away would then try again to cross the Channel. Some are smuggled in by gangs, but

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After 66 years, WWII hero will be laid to rest

AFTER more than six decades, a Battle of Britain fighter pilot whose Hawker Hurricane was shot down over Kent is being exhumed today.

The remains of Flt Sgt Eric Williams and his aeroplane are being dug up in Gravesend so he can be given a proper burial. Fly Sgt Williams, who was 28, was shot down in 1940 by German Messerschmitt fighters.

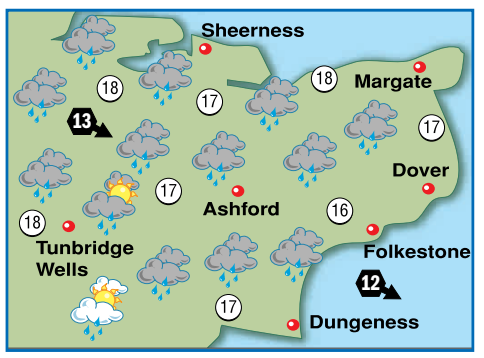
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TONIGHT: Dry with clear spells. Fresher than recent nights. Gentle northwesterly winds. Min temp 9-12C (48-54F).

Around Britain

		°C	°F			°C	°F
Aberdeen	showers	15	59	London	showers	18	64
Belfast	showers	18	64	Liverpool	showers	19	66
Birmingham	showers	16	61	Manchester	showers	18	64
B'mouth	cloudy	18	64	Newcastle	showers	17	63
Bristol	showers	18	64	Norwich	showers	17	63
Cardiff	showers	20	68	Oxford	showers	19	66
Cork	showers	18	64	Southsea	showers	18	64
Edinburgh	showers	17	63	S'hampton	showers	18	64
Glasgow	fair	17	63	Southport	sun	–	–
Isle of Man	showers	17	63	Swansea	showers	18	64
Leeds	showers	16	61	Torquay	showers	18	64

Sun & moon

Sunrise	5.13am	Sunset	8.50pm	Lighting up times:
Moonrise	8.59pm	Moonset	3.52am	8.50pm to 5.14am

High Tides

	today				tomorrow			
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Dover	11.36	6.2	23.50	6.2	–	–	12.14	6.4
Margate	00.16	4.3	12.28	4.4	01.01	4.5	13.08	4.6
St Mary's	05.05	4.9	17.24	5.2	05.45	5.1	18.05	5.5

Week ahead

monday Mostly fine max 19C min 10C
tuesday Sunny spells max 21C min 12C
wednesday Rather cloudy max 21C min 13C
thursday Dry and fine max 22C min 13C
friday Cloudy. Dry max 23C min 14C
saturday Sunny spells max 25C min 15C

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Prostitutes trapped in a criminal world

TYPICALLY they are young women in their late teens or early 20s. They come to Britain seeking to better themselves and their families. Instead, many are forced to have sex for money to repay their "debt" to criminal gangs.

Kent Police has rescued 26 such women in the last five years.

But Detective Superintendent Paul Gladstone, in charge of combating major, serious and organised crime for the force, admits there is no way of knowing how many more trafficked women are still enslaved in this vile trade.

"We've got no idea," he said. "It's like you saying to me, 'what is the scale of the drugs network in Kent?' I could say, 'significant', but I can't give you an idea of how big that is."

The women are understandably very distressed when officers find them, normally en route to a brothel outside of Kent.

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"Some of the females have been raped or assaulted or subject to some form of duress during the course of their journey into the UK, so they're not in a good state mentally.

Criminal

"A lot of them actually don't realise what's going to happen to them. They think, for instance, they're coming here to be a model or hairdresser.

"They're then told later by the criminals that the only way they can serve that debt is to become a prostitute or work as an employee for their criminal enterprise."

Most of the 26 women rescued by Kent Police – 14 – were Chinese. There were also five Thais, two from Hong Kong, two from Malaysia and one each from Ukraine, Brazil and Kosovo.

A spokeswoman for the Home Office said the Government published an action plan to tackle human trafficking in March. In the same month, former Home Secretary John Reid signed the Council of Europe Convention on Action Against Human Trafficking.

The spokeswoman said: "The conviction figures for human traffickers have increased significantly since we introduced dedicated trafficking legislation in 2004. There's been 62 to date, but we recognise there's still a lot of work to do."

She said that the Government started funding the Poppy Project in 2003, for women who had been trafficked into the UK into the sex trade. Last year, it gave the project extra funding of £2.4 million to expand its services.

Kent Police is currently running five major operations against trafficking gangs.

'Today's smuggling gangs are becoming more sophisticated'

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

many try to enter Britain unassisted.

Det Supt Gladstone warned that criminal gangs are using increasingly sophisticated methods of smuggling people into England.

Some are offering immigrants 'gold standard' services, costing thousands of pounds and guaranteeing they will eventually get them into Britain.

The senior police officer said more people were being caught because border controls have been tightened up, with British police and customs officials now based across the Channel and vice versa.

But he said the smuggling gangs have responded by devising new tactics. Because of the county's number of ports, the gangs are a "significant problem" for Kent Police, he said.

"We've seen them change their techniques over the last few years, becoming slightly more sophisticated in the way they hide people."

Det Supt Gladstone said gangs have been known to build tiny hides in lorries to smuggle people in. In Folkestone last week, a woman was found hidden behind the dashboard of a vehicle.

The 500 people caught by the French authorities last month mainly came from countries in Asia, the Middle East and Africa. Many have fled civil war, famine or are economic migrants seeking to improve their standard of living.

Detective Inspector Steve O'Keefe, who is responsible for tackling organised immigration crime for Kent Police, said most immigrants trying to illegally enter the UK were bound for the county.

"It's quite clear the most direct route from Pas-de-Calais is Dover," he said. "It has a huge number of HGVs travelling through so we know it's a draw for those people who want to get into the country clandestinely."

People smuggling gangs are making audacious claims to immigrants that they can get them into the country – if they are prepared to pay several thousand pounds, said Det Supt Gladstone.

"The gold service is literally where you're given a guarantee that they'll get you into the UK.

"No matter how many times you're turned away, they'll keep trying."

Damian Green, MP for Ashford – and the Tories' immigration spokesman – was alarmed by the 500 figure.

"I suspect that figure, which is high, is the tip of an iceberg," he said. "It wouldn't surprise me if a lot more were going through. It shows why any attempt to bring back anything like Sangatte would be a disaster."

On Wednesday, Prime Minister Gordon Brown said that a "unified border force" would be set up, bringing together immigration and Customs officers to tighten up controls.

Company denies axed flight claims

A KENT holiday company has denied claims it plans to axe flights to Alicante from the county's international airport at Manston.

Kent Escapes spokeswoman Sarah Burkes said: "We have no intention of cancelling any part of our flying programme from Kent International Airport and will be reviewing the demand for all of our routes later this year.

"There is a strong possibility we will be introducing new destinations and resorts for our 2008 programme."

She said three summer flights from the airport to Alicante were cancelled in June but passengers were offered either alternative dates of departure, resorts or their money back.

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Publisher to launch revolutionary internet and newspaper products

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KENT publishing company KOS Media is launching eight new free newspapers, local websites and online TV channels.

The publisher of the award-winning Kent on Sunday and the Saturday Observer is unveiling the new weekly titles and community services in September.

Kentnews.co.uk will continue to be updated with the biggest news stories across the county, while there will be a variety of new online channels including Business TV, Sport TV, Leisure TV, Property TV, and Motors TV.

KOS Media is launching the titles YourAshfordPaper, YourCanterburyPaper, YourDoverPaper, YourFolkestonePaper, YourMaidstonePaper, YourMedwayPaper, YourSwalePaper and YourThanetPaper.

Online channel

And KOS Media is setting up an online TV channel called yourkenttv.co.uk where people can access local community TV channels.

The company, which is based near Ashford, plans to use WAP technology so people can have news sent straight to their mobile phones.

Over the next few weeks, promotional 'road runners' will be out and about at events across Kent, letting people know about the new products.

Nearer the launch in September there will be around 90 promotion and distribution road runners across the areas, and if you would like to part of this team call Barbara Coker on 01303 817072.



YOURPAPER: Road runners will hit the streets to promote KOS Media's new products

Local children's charities will benefit as KOS Media will be donating money to Help A Local Child for every household that registers for the new online services.

KOS Media's managing director, Paul Stannard, announced plans to launch the online TV channels, local websites and newspapers, at the Kent Show earlier this month.

Professor Richard Scase, a leading business forecaster, praised the proposals when he addressed key county figures at Kent's Future Live, KOS Media's annual regeneration showcase.

He held them up as an example of the entrepreneurial and enterprising attitude needed for the future economic survival of Kent.

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Quentin to drive Bluewater show

CELEBRITY motoring writer and broadcaster Quentin Willson (pictured) is to open the first-ever motor show at the Bluewater shopping centre, ***writes Steve Loader.***

And the former Top Gear presenter will use Motorshow@Bluewater to raise the curtain on some of the UK car market's latest models on Thursday.

These include Citroën's first-ever 4x4 – the sleek C-Crosser – and Mitsubishi's egg-like i-Car, designed for city use.

Motorshow@Blueweater then runs for a further three days at the landmark 330-shop centre, where more than 20 leading car brands and some of Kent's best-known dealerships will be represented.

The event is designed to be a family outing, with a designated children's activity area plus mobile 'kids zones' offering free face painting and craft activities in the three shopping malls.

Motorshow@Bluewater organiser Mike Richardson said: "Bringing together so many brands in one place means visitors can browse different motor options in the same place, instead of having to visit numerous car showrooms.

"We have added interactive and fun elements to the show including simulators and a children's play area to give a great day out for everyone."

The fun continues into the evening, with live jazz on offer in The Village, home to such famous-name restaurants as Loch Fyne, Carluccio's, Pizza Express and Abaco.

Blind choir ready for concert to remember

THE SIERRA Leone blind school choir set to perform at Canterbury Cathedral were due to arrive in England yesterday.

The 25-strong choir, from the Milton Margai School for the Blind in Freetown, are to sing at the world-famous landmark on Monday evening.

The choir will be raising badly needed funds for their school, which depends on overseas donations.

It will be the opening show in a three-week tour of England. Kent on Sunday has organised the concert with the UK charity that supports the school, which is twinned with the Dorton House School for the Blind. Choristers will be staying at the school in Seal, near Sevenoaks.

Charity chairman Peter Penfold, CMG, OBE, said: "The rehearsals have gone well and the children are very excited – the girls have been having their hair done!"

The choir will be accompanied by five staff from the school, including headteacher Albert Sandy and Barbara Davidson MBE, the school's English administrator.



SONGS OF HOPE: Sing Freetown at Canterbury Cathedral

Their tour will visit London, Hastings, Reading, Cardiff and Hull.

The concert, entitled Sing Freetown, will tell the story of Sierra Leone's past, including its history in the slave trade, the founding of the capital, Freetown, as a place for freed slaves and the horrific rebel war that ended in 2002.

Virtually all tickets have now gone although a small amount of returns may be available at the door.

Unfortunately we cannot guarantee entry to those without tickets.

Tickets remain for the final show at Westminster Central Hall on Friday, August 17.

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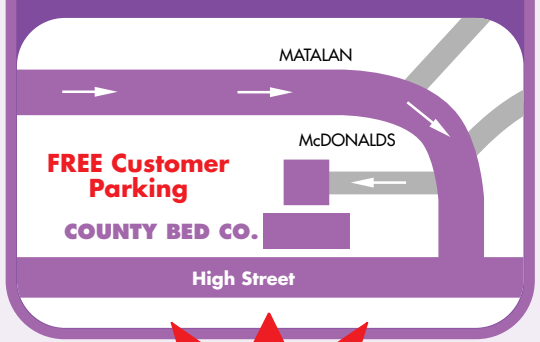
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Tories keep faith in under-fire Cameron

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PROMINENT Tories in Kent insist they still have faith in David Cameron's leadership of the party.

The Conservative leader is under pressure after reports that some Tory MPs were calling for a vote of no confidence in him.

A disastrous row over grammar schools, which alienated many traditional voters, coming third in two by-elections and a surge in support for the new Labour Prime Minister Gordon Brown have led some to question his policies.

Mr Cameron received further flak for visiting Rwanda when his Oxfordshire constituency was hit by severe flooding.

Roger Gale, Tory MP for North Thanet, supported David Davis in the Tory leadership contest which Mr Cameron won. The former vice-chairman of the Conservative Party told Kent on Sunday he thought Mr Cameron should not have visited the African country.

Rwanda

"I think with hindsight, going to Rwanda was probably not the right thing to do at the time. He is the Leader of the UK Opposition… and I think on balance he would have been better off visiting for example Worcester and Gloucester here."

Mr Gale said he had also been unhappy with criticisms made earlier this year by the Tory leadership of the grammar school system, but was pleased with the party's later pledge that it was not under threat.

Although he did not agree with all of his policies, he said he has confidence in Mr Cameron: "He has made an enormous amount of headway with the party."

Ann Widdecombe, Tory MP for Maidstone and The Weald, appeared to accuse Mr Cameron earlier in the week of having weak policies on immigration and law and order and for visiting Rwanda. But the former Home Office Minister told KoS that he was the best man for the job. She added: "He is the man we elected, he's the man we've got, he's the man who's gone ahead in the opinion polls right up until the 'Brown bounce'."

It was reported this week that three Tory MPs have written to Sir Michael Spicer, chairman of the party's backbench 1922 Committee, calling for a vote of no confidence in Mr Cameron.

Ms Widdecombe said she did not know who the MPs were. "They must be as mad as ferrets," she added. Ms Widdecombe said Mr Cameron should lead the Tories into the next general election.

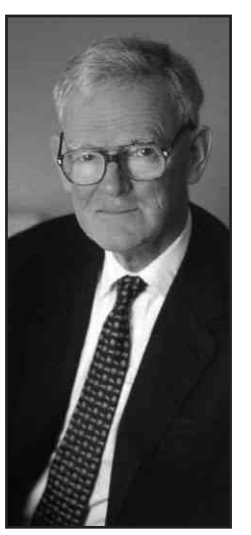
Tory donor Stuart Wheeler, who owns Chilham Castle, has given millions of pounds to the Conservative Party.

Earlier this year he told KoS he thought the Tories were not taking a strong enough line on Europe and he was considering giving money to the Euro-sceptic UK Independence Party.

But the 72-year-old said this week that Mr Cameron has been successful in reversing the Tories' image as the "nasty party".

"The most important thing that David Cameron has done is to get rid of the notion which used to be there among large sections of the population that it was compulsory almost to hate the Tories.

"Even though there are some things which some people disagree with him about at least nobody thinks that the Tories are the nasty party anymore." He added: "It would be madness to change the leadership."





STAND BY THEIR MAN: Stuart Wheeler, above left, and Ann Widdecombe; and right, David Cameron, leader of the Tory party



Michael Howard MP, the former Tory leader, was unavailable for comment.

Mr Cameron was said to have received a rousing cheer when he attacked dissident MPs in a speech at this week's meeting of the 1922 Committee.

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Kent passengers pay the highest fares in the South East

Commuters are at the end of the line

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ONLY four in ten rail commuters in Kent believe they are getting value for money from using trains.

Independent rail watchdog Passenger Focus has warned that consumer happiness is likely to drop even further in the next few years, because ticket prices in the county are the highest in the South East and rising.

The Government announced plans this week to turn around the beleaguered industry, but it faces an uphill battle to change Kent commuters' poor opinions of rail travel

Tunde Olatunji, Kent spokesman for Passenger Focus, said: "There's definitely room for improvement."

A minority of Kent passengers told the group in a poll that they are happy to use the county's rail services.

"Only 40 per cent in Kent think they're getting value for money," said Mr Olatunji. "It's very likely that more people will feel they're not getting value for money in the coming years."

He said that the overall service in the county was "about average".

Dissatisfaction is set to increase among Kent commuters in the next few years due to rising ticket prices. They are paying more for season tickets than anyone else in the region, mainly because of the creation of high-speed domestic services, which come online in 2009.

Tickets for Southeastern trains have gone up by the Retail Prices Index plus three per cent, compared with one per cent for other firms.

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- Ticket prices are too high
- Too many trains are late
- Getting a seat at peak times because of overcrowding can be a challenge
- Trains and stations don't feel safe
- Trains and carriages are dirty
- Companies fail to keep commuters updated with delays
- Queuing for tickets can take several minutes
- Unhelpful and unfriendly station staff – if there are staff at all
- Onboard toilets are in poor condition
- There's not enough room for luggage

Based on a survey, funded by Passenger Focus and the Department for Transport and published this month, showing what rail passengers would most like to see improved.



TRAVEL: There is a poor opinion of services

One of the reasons given for this was because fares in Kent have historically been lower than the rest of the South East.

Mr Olatunji warned that off-peak fares could also rise.

However, he welcomed the Government's pledges this week to lengthen platforms at some stations, as a way of addressing overcrowding.

A White Paper announced by Transport Secretary Ruth Kelly on Tuesday outlined plans for an extra 1,300 train carriages by 2014 and more than £10 billion to be spent on increasing capacity.

She pledged to make travelling by train safer and more reliable.

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Eurostar's bad tidings for Ashford

EUROSTAR'S chief executive has spoken out about the future of international and domestic services in the county.

Richard Brown met with stakeholders at a meeting in Ashford to discuss timetable changes after Ebbsfleet International is opened in November.

The company has faced severe criticism from the public, cross-party MPs, county councils and businesses over its decision to axe Brussels-bound trains and cut daily services from 12 to four from one of Kent's growth towns.

Apologetic

Mr Brown was apologetic, admitting: "I am not here with particularly good news and I know many of you are disappointed."

He said it was not commercially viable for the loss-making company to continue the Brussels service from Ashford once Ebbsfleet, with a catchment area four times that of the East Kent town, is opened.

"The location will appeal to a much larger number of passengers," he said.

Mr Brown urged stakeholders to look at the bigger picture of 33 per cent more trains serving the county, saying: "I know this is not good news but for Kent as a whole it is a significant increase of services."

Investment in Ashford will continue, he said, pointing to the £250,000 spent on CCTV cameras, the renewed lease of Eurostar's Ashford call centre for another 10 years and a new check-in system planned.

Mr Brown talked about the domestic service High Speed 1, due to start at the end of 2009. He said the service would add growth potential to both areas.

"We can have a role in regeneration but we cannot be accountable for it.

"The high speed domestic service is a key economic driver for regeneration.

"We have a dilemma but will do our best to support both stations," he added.

Expensive and over-crowded

BRITAIN sells some of the costliest rail tickets in the world – yet many of its trains are far from worth it.

London Underground tops the bill. The flat rate of £4 one way from Charing Cross to Embankment on the Northern line, works out at around £64.50 per mile. The high price is meant to encourage people to buy Travelcards or pre-pay Oyster cards.

Europe's most expensive intercity journey is Virgin's London to Manchester service. A standard single ticket is £109.50, equating to 55p a mile.

British commuters cannot even boast to be getting what they pay for.

The UK's rail system still has a long way to go to catch up with the likes of France's TGV network, which is regarded as one of the best in the world.

In April, a specially-adapted TGV train set a new world record by hitting 357 miles per hour.

On the same day in England, Network Rail unveiled £2.4 billion spending plans to tackle overcrowding and provide new signalling and tracks.

Thanet is 'forgotten'

A TORY parliamentary hopeful for Thanet has claimed the island has been "left at the end of the transport line".

Laura Sandys is contending South Thanet at the next general election against the sitting Labour MP and former Transport Minister, Dr Stephen Ladyman.

She said: "We were promised a fast link to London to secure the economic growth that we need and employment that so many of our families require and we have been let down.

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Finally, WWII hero to get proper burial

THE REMAINS of a Battle of Britain pilot are due to be removed for burial today from the site where he was shot down more than 66 years ago.

Radar equipment was used to pinpoint Flight Sergeant Eric Williams and his Hawker Hurricane aeroplane under an industrial unit in Albion Parade, Gravesend.

The 28-year-old was shot down on a combat mission to intercept German bombers over the Thames Estuary on October 15, 1940.

His squadron was attacked by German Messerschmitt Bf 109 fighters defending the bombers, led by Major Adolf Galland, a famous German fighter ace.

Flt Sgt Williams, who served with 46 Squadron of Fighter Command, had taken off from his base in Stapleford, Essex, when he and his colleagues came under fire from the Luftwaffe

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fighters, flying out of the sun just before 1pm.

Three Hurricanes were quickly shot down including the one flown by Flt Sgt Williams. His aircraft crashed into Barton's timber wharf at Gravesend, close to the southern bank of the River Thames. No parachute was seen.

The aircraft smashed through the timber yard roof and embedded itself deeply into the earthen floor, preventing later attempts to recover Flt Sgt Williams' body because of the waterlogged ground.

The timber yard was redeveloped after the war and a new warehouse with a concrete floor was built there. At the same time, land reclamation extended the river frontage by some 90ft. This new work, together with the Protection of Military Remains Act 1986 – which forbids interference with a known or suspected war grave – effectively sealed off the site.

However, it is now earmarked for redevelopment within the Thames Gateway 'growth area' so it was decided that Flt Sgt Williams should finally be given a proper burial.

There were two attempts to recover his remains during the 1990s, but only one was licensed by the Ministry of Defence. The first in 1995 found nothing because they were digging in the wrong place. The later, unauthorised, attempt was much closer, but stopped by the authorities.

Public interest

In view of the redevelopment plans, Lewis Deal, of the Rochester-based Medway Aircraft Preservation Society, applied to the MoD for an excavation licence.

Following a meeting last month in Gravesend, it was decided that it was in the public interest to give the go-ahead.

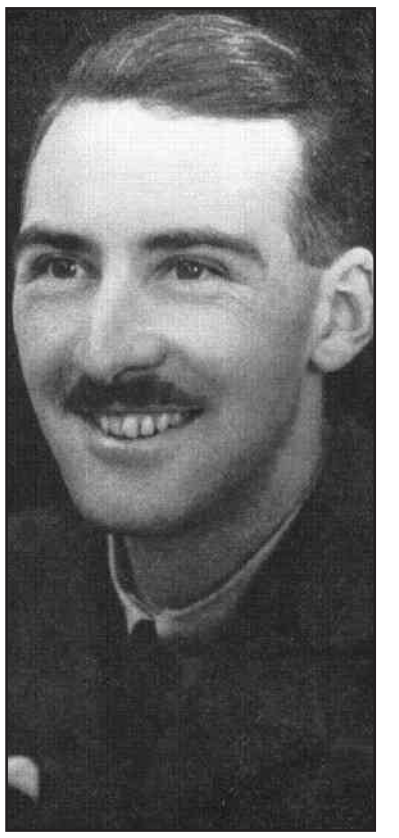
Chatham-based Royal Engineers from the Construction Engineer School and firefighters from MoD Manston are taking part in the excavation, which began on Friday and is due to finish late this morning.

The Hurricane wreckage will be kept at MoD Manston.

Eric Edward Williams was born in Taplow, Buckinghamshire in 1912. He joined the RAF after leaving school at 16 and was selected for pilot training within three years.

At the time of his death, he was married to Joan. She remarried and emigrated to Canada after the war, but died in the last few years.

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FOUND: Flight Sergeant Eric Williams was killed in 1940

Archbishop recruits from Africa for role

AN AFRICAN church leader who trained as a soldier has been given a prestigious role by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Most Revd Josiah Idowu-Fearon, the Anglican Archbishop of the Province of Kaduna and Bishop of Kaduna diocese in Nigeria, has become a Six Preacher of Canterbury Cathedral.

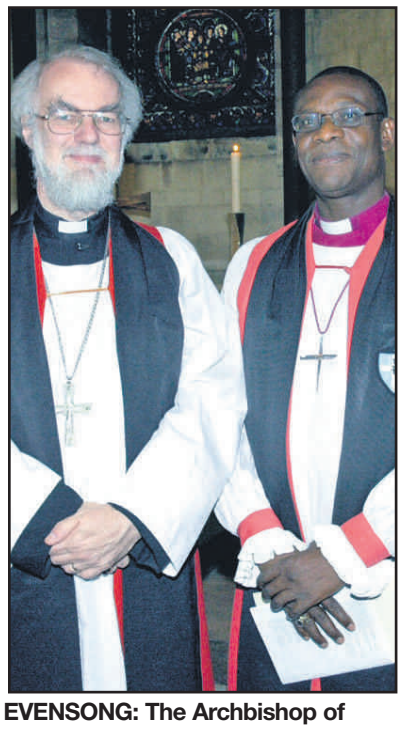
He was installed on Wednesday during Evensong by Dr Rowan Williams, and the Very Revd Robert Willis, the Dean of Canterbury.

The role dates back 400 years but until recently has always gone to clerics based in the Canterbury diocese.

A Canterbury Cathedral spokesman said the appointment was part of an attempt to "internationalise" the role by having more churchmen from overseas.

He said that Archbishop Idowu-Fearon will come to Kent a few times a year to teach and lecture.

The appointment is for five years and may be renewed. Archbishop Idowu-Fearon replaces Canon Dr John Polkinghorne, who has retired as a Six Preacher. Recent Six Preachers include Bishop John Robinson and Prof A J Mason, the translator of many hymns.



EVENSONG: The Archbishop of Canterbury and The Most Revd Josiah Idowu-Fearon

Archbishop Idowu-Fearon was born in 1949 in Nigeria. Although he trained briefly as a soldier, he soon decided that he wished to serve God as a priest and was ordained in 1971, becoming a bishop in 1990.

The married father of three has a doctorate degree in Islamic studies, with special interest in Christian-Muslim relations.

"I feel humbled by this appointment", he said. "Being a Six Preacher will give me a sense of belonging to the community at Canterbury Cathedral which has existed for over 1,400 years – my own Diocese of Kaduna is only 50 years old.

"I hope that this recognition will help me to be an ambassador for Christ, not just within the Anglican Communion, but to my Muslim neighbours."

The Six Preachers were originally the idea of Thomas Cranmer, who was Archbishop of Canterbury from 1533 to 1555.

ARCHITECTS designing a new gallery in Margate have been shortlisted for a major award.

David Chipperfield Architects, the practice behind designs for the gallery for Turner Contemporary, has two projects in the shortlist for this year's prestigious Royal Institute of British Architects Stirling Prize.

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Cannabis farms: the latest cottage industry

MORE than 2,100 marijuana plants worth nearly £175,000 have been seized by police in raids on 'cannabis farms' in north Kent – in less than three months.

In the latest on Wednesday, a man was arrested on suspicion of growing cannabis at a house in Dartford.

Last week, officers busted two cannabis farms at residential properties in Medway.

The high number of raids shows the cultivation of the drug is becoming a burgeoning cottage industry in Kent.

After a search of three rooms of a house in Great Queen Street, Dartford, police found 300 cannabis plants, with a street value of almost £10,000.

As is often the case with cannabis farms, the property's electricity meter had been bypassed. The house had 37 lights and a sophisticated system of heating and irrigation for the plants.

Since April, seven cannabis farms have been raided in north Kent. There were two in Dartford and others in Gravesend, Swanscombe, New Barn, Darenth and Stone.

The 2,100 cannabis plants seized in those raids were worth nearly £175,000, said Kent Police. A fully-grown cannabis plant has a street value of around £250.

In Medway, police seized 90 cannabis plants and equipment in raids last week on houses in Rochester Street, Chatham and Churchill Avenue, Chatham.

Police want residents to look out for signs of possible drugs activity.

These include windows permanently covered from the inside, unusual visiting routines, removal of black bags, compost bags and other gardening equipment in the garden, a pungent smell coming from the property and vents protruding from the roof tiles.

On the same day that police raided a cannabis farm in Dartford, the Government launched a public consultation on tackling drugs. It followed an announcement by Prime Minister Gordon Brown that he was looking at reclassifying cannabis – reversing laws that made possession of the drug a mainly non-arrestable offence.

A man arrested after Wednesday's police raid in Dartford was still in police custody on Friday.

EA warning: The need to build homes in



FLOOD WATERS: This aerial photograph shows how Yalding, near Maidstone, was swamped with water after heavy rain overwhelmed flood barriers in 2001 Picture: KNP

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safe areas could drive developers onto nationally protected conservation areas

Greenbelt land is 'at risk'

NEW homes may need to be built on protected conservation areas and greenbelt land because they are safe from flooding, the Environment Agency has warned.

Prime Minister Gordon Brown has set new house-building targets for three million homes, many of which will be in the South East.

Flooding

In Kent, towns such as Ashford and Maidstone are already seeing major growth and 160,000 homes are planned for the Thames Gateway redevelopment.

As nationwide floods affected around half a million people this week, the Government was criticised for planning to build hundreds of thousands of new homes in areas at risk of flooding.

The Thames Gateway and Ashford growth areas are predominantly on flood plains.

Barrie Neaves, the Environment Agency's planning and corporate services manager for Kent, warned that the need to build homes in safe areas could drive developers onto previously protected countryside.

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He said: "There is probably enough land but the problem is the land that is safe from flooding is subject to other planning constraints.

"For example, the North Downs is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

"I am sure people would not want hundreds of houses built in that area."

He predicted that problems would occur once areas deemed as safe from flooding on the preferred brown field sites were used up.

The Thames Gateway project is safe due to good standard flood protection schemes, Mr Neaves said.

Planning bosses must satisfy the agency's criteria for flood safety before new developments are built.

Mr Neaves added: "You cannot prevent flooding, you can negate and reduce the risk but it will happen at some point."

Kent Green Party member Steve Dawe said this week the county was "ill prepared" for floods.

He said: "Drainage appears to be under-provided in new developments which often have large impermeable surfaces promoting run-off."

He said land flooded in 2000 at Bushy Royds near Ashford, now has 470 homes on it.

He said drainage and flood protection for new developments should be provided at much higher standards.

"Building on flood plains must be resisted altogether, or only permitted where living spaces are well above potential areas of flooding," he added.

The Environment Agency said there were good examples of flood defences in Medway towns such as the Rochester Riverside development.

It said sustainable drainage systems at new developments in Ashford were being encouraged elsewhere to mimic the way water flows in the natural environment.

But Mr Dawe said flood protection promised to Kent after the 2000 floods had not been provided.

And he accused the Government of ignoring pressure from the Met Office this year concerning its prediction of very heavy rainfall.

"The lessons of floods past seem to be that the history of flooding has not been learned from, just as the Government's policy on climate change is utterly inadequate," said Mr Dawe.

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Water bills set to rise despite recent deluge

WATER bills will continue to rise despite one of the wettest summers on record, said Mid Kent Water.

The utility firm, which supplies around 600,000 people and 24,000 businesses, blamed greater demand for the expected increase.

Project manager Jon Holland said there are problems still facing water supplies despite the recent deluge.

He said the new homes planned for Ashford, Maidstone and Canterbury areas would put pressure on supplies.

"Prices go up each year with inflation plus a little bit for the cost of new infrastructure," he added.

"Water quality has risen so there will be increases in water prices."

But Mr Holland promised there would be no hosepipe ban this year, saying customers' reactions to last year's restrictions had helped ease pressure on depleted supplies.

Last year an estimated 13 million people in the South East were hit with water restrictions and below average rainfall was blamed.

At the same time customers were paying increasing amounts and water companies revealed bumper profits.

Mr Holland said: "Last year people responded extremely well, water demand was down which had the benefit of allowing the aquifers to recover leaving more ground water for this and future years."

He said this year's wet summer has also helped reduce demand because gardens needed less watering and people are not filling swimming or paddling pools.

The company relies on ground water for 85 per cent of its supplies.

Spokesman Graham Amy said: "The water people drink comes from a source that is filled from October to March."

He said any rainfall in the summer months was lost through evaporation, runoff and to growing plants and trees.

Mr Holland said climate change would add further pressure to the water supply with experts predicting hotter and drier summers.

"We are looking at options not just in terms of new resources but also how we can encourage people to use less water.

"We need to develop new resources and that comes back to the cost to the consumer," he said.

The company is looking at a range of options from finding more ground water sources and building a reservoir at Broad Oak, near Canterbury, to a desalination plant on the coast.

Mr Amy said: "There will always be enough water. It's just how much are we prepared to pay for that water?"





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The body of a Rochester building firm executive who went missing while canoeing in the Scottish Highlands has been found.

Ian Law, 55, was canoeing with his 57-year-old brother Eric on Loch Mohr near Inverness when their craft capsized.

Mr Law's family released a statement which said: "Ian was a wonderful and loving husband, a devoted father and grandfather.

"He was the family's rock, someone whom was always there for you. We are devastated and struggling to come to terms with our loss."

Divers from Grampian Police Underwater Search Unit found the body 230 ft from the shore yesterday evening at 7.40pm.

The father-of-two from Abbey Road, Frindsbury, was fishing with his brother who managed to swim to shore and raise the alarm.

He flagged down an ambulance on Tuesday night but his brother had disappeared.

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'Continental rivals

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EVERY night, up to 300 truck drivers from all over Europe congregate at a lorry park in Ashford for a rest stop.

Some gather around their lorries, relishing the chance to talk to fellow countrymen after days or weeks on the road. Others are enjoying a drink in the bar, or asleep in their cab.

Most have come from Eastern European countries like Poland, the Czech Republic and Slovakia, taking a break before heading to northern England or Scotland, or their return journey home.

There are truckers from many other countries too, such as Ireland, Italy, Hungary and Germany – but few here are British.

The mixture of nationalities reflects the changing face of the industry in the UK. The Kent-based Freight Transport Association (FTA) claims that only seven years ago, UK hauliers carried half of Britain's international trade with the rest of Europe.

Now, British drivers carry just 25 per cent. And they are not happy about it.

Kent on Sunday spoke to British HGV drivers at Ashford International Truck Stop in Sevington to find out where they thought it had all gone wrong.

Sipping from their pints at the bar, many here blame drivers from the former Eastern Bloc for stealing their business. They complain that their rivals work for less money, longer hours and they pay much less for diesel and taxes.

Accidents

They say Continental drivers are not as skilled, their lorries are poorly maintained, over-loaded, they speed and are involved in a disproportionately high number of road accidents.

"Every time there's an accident on the motorway and you go past, it's a foreign driver," claims Nick West, 38, from South Wales, a trucker for eight years. He said Romanian lorry drivers were the most notorious for flouting safety rules.

Figures from the Department for Transport show that in 2005 there were 11,681 accidents involving HGVs in Britain. Of these, 1,117 involved foreign-registered lorries.

Continental drivers regularly speed, said Mr West, and by having two-men crews they can stay on the road for much longer. Rules prevent British drivers doing the same.

Other British drivers say that some of their Continental counterparts operate with faulty tachographs so they can run for longer hours. Some even claim they have seen foreign truckers drink driving.

Garry Aldridge, 52, from Yorkshire, said the industry has become more and more unprofitable since he started out in it 31 years ago.

"Ten years ago we were in a position where we could get paid a sufficient amount to do the job that we're doing," he said.

"The Eastern Europeans have spoilt all that. They'll work weekends for normal rates, for £6.50 an hour, and their trucks and the driving skills aren't what ours are."

Mr West added: "We've got Polish drivers coming over and taking our jobs, earning half our wage and running 24 hours a day."

Figures from the Department for Transport released last month showed the number of UK-registered trucks fell to an 18-month low in the first quarter of 2007, while foreign vehicles rose to an all-time high.

The number of HGVs coming into Great Britain from Europe's newest member states, such as Poland, the Czech Republic and Slovakia, has tripled since the beginning of 2004.

Geoff Dossetter, spokesman for the FTA, which is based in Tunbridge Wells and has 13,000 members, said Continental drivers had an unfair advantage over British truckers, because they paid less for fuel, wages

have taken our jobs – working longer hours and costing less'

UK lorry drivers' road rage



SUNSET FOR BRITAIN: Trucks at the Ashford lorry park Pictures: ANNA BEDNAREK





ON THE ROAD: Polish lorry drivers Miroslaw Kowalski (far left) and Jan Piejdak (left); and right, British driver Geoffrey Horabin

were lower and they were saving money by not properly maintaining their lorries.

"The UK lads who have told you that there is unfair competition here are absolutely right," he added.

He said foreign drivers should be charged for using British roads – an idea backed by Kent County Council.

Mr Dossetter said he had heard of cases where foreign truckers had altered or even thrown away tachographs to drive longer hours – but he was unaware of cases of drink-driving.

British trucker Geoffrey Horabin, 48, from Runcorn, who has more reason than most to be bitter about the competition, said he did not resent Continental drivers.

Mr Horabin ran his own trucking business, including three lorries, from 1987 until 2006 when he went bankrupt. He blamed high rates and fuel prices in Britain, but does not resent foreign drivers for taking advantage of their cheaper system.

"You can't blame them," he said. "I would do the same if I was them."

Whereas it costs him up to £800 a week to fill up his truck with diesel, a foreign lorry driver would pay about £500, he said.

Eastern European drivers refuted claims they were driving unsafe trucks.

Speaking through an interpreter, Jan Piejdak, 46, from near Olsztyn, north Poland, said there was nothing to be gained from not looking after his vehicle properly.

"I don't know about other countries, but in Poland the fines are too high to risk it," said the trucker of 28 years.

Miroslaw Kowalski, 35, from Warsaw, disputed the perception that foreign lorries were involved in more accidents, but he admitted driving on the other side of the road was a challenge for some.

"It can be difficult because of the left-hand side traffic," he said.

A spokesman for the Department for Transport said the Vehicle and Operator Services Agency has been carrying out regular checks on foreign lorries at Kent ports in the last year.

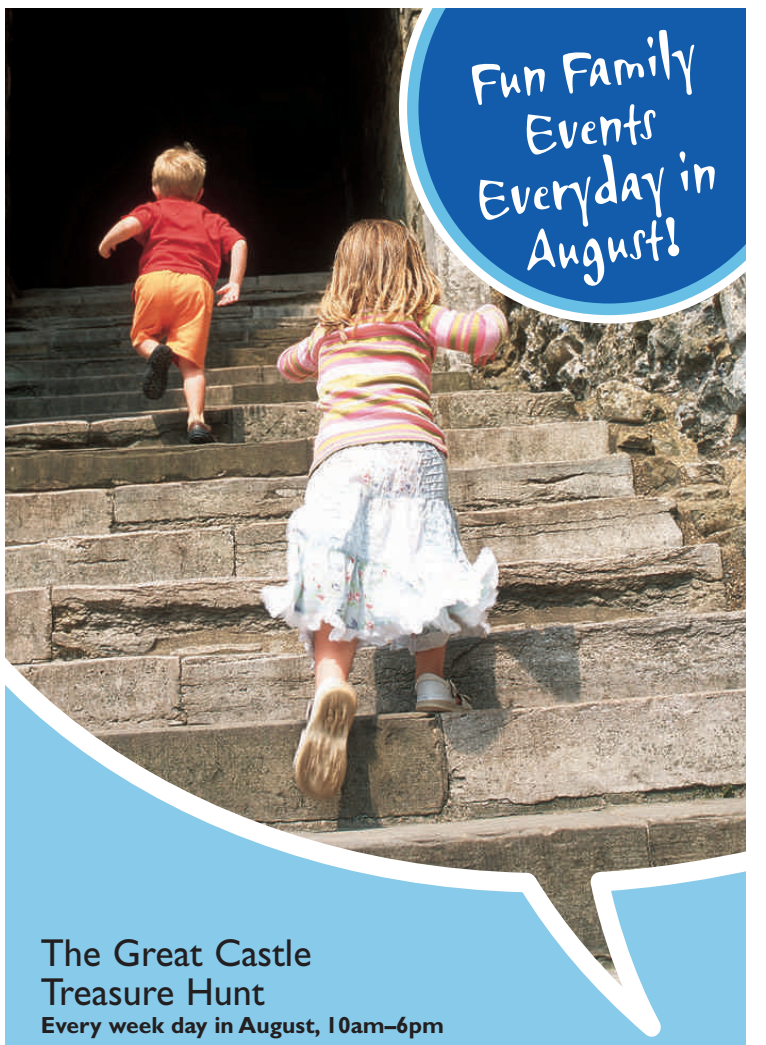
"They've been running heightened enforcement work at the Channel ports checking any vehicles on international journeys for drivers' hours, weights or safety problems."

He added that the Government is considering bringing in on-the-spot fines to prevent overseas drivers from going home without paying penalty notices. The Government is also thinking about introducing powers so drivers who are caught driving for too many hours can have their lorries clamped.

Around 40,000 stick-on Fresnel lenses, giving the driver a wider field of vision through the passenger window, have been handed out free at French ports to left-hand lorries coming into the UK, said the spokesman.

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'Pavarpotti' keeps his promise to Kent charity

BRITAIN'S Got Talent winner Paul Potts is set to make a guest appearance at a Kent charity concert today.

With his album at pole position in the national music charts, the opera singer has decided to use his new found fame for good, while repaying an old favour.

The annual Quex Prom at Birchington is raising money for the cancer care unit at QEQM Hospital in Margate.

Co-organiser Albie Park said they had given Paul, nicknamed Pavarpotti, the chance to sing at the event with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra to boost his fledgling career nine years ago.

"He made a promise he would repay my belief in him and if he made a name for himself he would come back and sing again.

"I did not have to remind him of his promise. No sooner had his album shot to the top of the charts, than he rang and said he wanted to sing Nessun Dorma for us again," Mr Park said.

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BRAVE: Pte Mike Godber and L/Cpl Wayne Read from Kent, and Pte Gary Cooper from Eastbourne, were Mentioned in Dispatches

Iraq heroes honoured

THE BRAVE and gallant acts of two Kent soldiers while they were serving in southern Iraq have been commended.

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Pte Mike Godber and L/Cpl Wayne Read from The 1st Battalion The Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment were both Mentioned in Dispatches.

Pte Godber, who is from Headcorn, earned the honour for his "complete disregard for his own safety" when his patrol found themselves within dangerously close range of the enemy, the Ministry of Defence said.

Speaking from battalion's current base in Paderborn, Germany, the 21-year-old said: "I was pretty shocked, I did not think I would get anything like that.

"We were out on a patrol and came about 25ft away from the enemy."

As the soldiers came under heavy fire in the Maysaan Province, Pte Godber told how he drew fire away from his platoon so they could retreat safely.

"It drew fire towards us so there was less fire on the other guys and the sergeant could get the rest out," he said.

Asked if he was scared for his own life, he answered: "If they are your mates you do anything you can for them.

"That was the main effect of being over there – wanting to get everyone home for Christmas."

L/Cpl Read from Elvington was honoured for his "courage and granite nerve under fire", the citation for his award read.

The 22-year-old's actions when his platoon were attempting to enter a target house during a search and arrest operation in Basra City were praised.

His contribution to the assault on the building was "instrumental to the success of the mission", the MoD said.

The Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment is the most decorated in the army – boasting 57 Victoria Crosses.

To be Mentioned in Dispatches refers to a soldier's actions being detailed in a senior commander's report.

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As chairman of the House of Commons' all party reserve forces group, Julian was invited to watch the reservists on a live-fire exercise.

The former Territorial Army officer said: "The training we saw these men go through is tough and intense. It needs to be; they will be going into one of the most dangerous theatres in the world, joining some of the fiercest fighters in the British military.

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Rose Gibb, chief executive of Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust, said: "We have spared nothing in getting it right for patients.

"This is an absolutely thrilling development."

The hospital is being built under a Government-approved Private Finance Initiative scheme, which was given the go-ahead in February.

Plans to replace Pembury and Kent and Sussex hospitals were first mooted in the 1970s.

Putting their trust in the highest bid

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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MORE than 1,200 people from across the world have pledged their support to a community trust bidding for the lease of a Kent farm.

Wye College Farm is under threat from its owners Imperial College London, which wants to rent out the land to the highest bidder.

The university's original plans for a residential housing estate were quashed by a successful campaign but the site's 560-year history in agricultural education is at risk if a private farmer wins the bid.

Local residents and former Wye college students have set up the Wye Community Land Trust (WCLT) and are fundraising to start a new co-operative to rent the land and farm it for local use.

Deadline

This week was the deadline for the tender bid and WCLT was hopeful of a positive outcome.

Trust spokesman Richard Bartley said: "We are bidding against competitive commercial farms but we are raising money by public subscription and have had a lot of support.

"It can become an exciting and innovative project for the whole community.

"Unless the trust can secure the tenancy its history as a teaching farm will be lost forever."

Mr Bartley said WCLT had formed a partnership with North School in Ashford and land-based training college Hadlow in Tonbridge, which made its business case "very strong".

North School has a small farm, which teaches pupils about caring for animals. It was under threat after Kent County Council announced plans to sell off the land to property developers.

But teachers and 800 students manged to force council planning bosses to reverse their decision after a 14-month battle.

In a letter to WCLT school assistant head Stephen Dove said: "I would certainly be very interested in forging links between the North School and Wye Community Farm Project."

Hadlow College director of finance Mark Lumsdon-Taylor added: "The college would like to be the principal provider of accredited land-based education and training at College Farm."

Mr Bartley added: "The trust needs more potential shareholders to register, in anticipation of a successful outcome.

"Support for Wye College Farm is growing rapidly from around the world, over 1,200 people have now registered their support for the cooperative farming venture."

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Better still, the number of people killed or very seriously injured at these locations has been reduced by 58% since the launch of the Kent & Medway Safety Camera Partnership five years ago.

It is not just enforcement that is carried out by the Partnership – over the last five years numerous educational campaigns have taken place to try and change motorists' attitudes and behaviours towards speeding. These initiatives have included discussions with motorcyclists, young drivers and people who drive for a living – statistically the groups most likely to be involved in a road traffic crash.

Motorists in Kent are given a vast amount of warning about safety camera locations, giving them the opportunity to slow down. All cameras are highly visible and accompanied by black and white camera 'bellow' signs. Every camera location is listed on the Partnership's website **(www.kmscp.org)** and mobile camera locations are issued weekly to local media. A 10% + 2mph tolerance level is given before prosecuting at all sites. There really is no excuse to be caught on camera.

Nationally, speeding contributes to the 36,000 serious injuries and 3,400 deaths that occur on Britain's roads each year. Around two thirds of these crashes occur in built up areas where the speed limit means that drivers should be travelling at 40mph or less.

The decreasing levels of fatal and serious injury are obviously great news for Kent communities and motorists staying within the legal speed limits are to be congratulated. In an ideal world, safety cameras would not need to be installed, but while there is still scope to reduce speed-related crashes, the Partnership will continue its work to improve safety on your roads.

The Kent & Medway Safety Camera Partnership comprises Kent County Council, Medway Council, Kent Police, the Highways Agency and Her Majesty's Courts service.

For more information visit www.kmscp.org or email communications@kmscp.org



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Bus stop team tackling graffiti



Bus stops across the county are being fixed, cleaned and updated by a new team of three put together by Kent Highway Services and Arriva. The trio tour the county's bus stops, removing graffiti and keeping timetables for all bus services up-to-date and in a good condition. Damaged timetable cases and bus stop signs are also fixed as part of their work.

Graffiti is a growing problem and although some damage to the sites is caused by the weather or road accidents, a lot of the work involves repairing the damage caused by others.

Members of the public who spot a bus stop in need of attention can now report it direct, by calling Kent Highway Services on **08458 247 800.** The call will be logged by the Contact Centre and passed to the team who will sort out the problem, whenever possible, within 48 hours. Kent Highway Services contributes £40,000 a year to part-fund the work.

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To help residents better understand the services they can expect from Kent Highway Services, we have produced a set of 'Understanding' leaflets that are available in all main libraries, as well as district and borough council offices.

The same information, which answers the most frequently asked questions and a whole lot more besides, is also available on our website at **www.kent.gov.uk/highways** or from the Contact Centre on **08458 247 800**.

So, whether it is disabled parking spaces, vehicle crossings to private properties, ditches and drains or even school travel plans that you are trying to figure out, we hope you'll find the information helpful.

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Kent Highway Services

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Reason: Bridge works and replacement of safety fences

Tonbridge & Malling

Start: 30-Jul-07 **Finish:** 08-Aug-07
Road: Swan Street/Lucks Hill - West Malling
Reason: Road closure - sewage repair works

Sevenoaks

Start: 30-Jul-07 **Finish:** 13-Aug-07
Road: Brittains Lane - Beaconsfields to Oak Lane
Reason: Road closure

Start: 30-Jul-07 **Finish:** 28-Aug-07
Road: A224 London Road, between Rockdale Road and South Park
Reason: Road closure - pavement re-construction

Dartford

Start: 30-Jul-07 **Finish:** 16-Nov-07
Road: West Hill (one-way) between Highfield Road and roundabout with Shepherds Lane
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Pupils asked for advice on sex lessons

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YOUNG people will have a say on how sex education is taught in schools, said Kent County Council.

The announcement came after new figures showed how the number of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) diagnosed across the UK has risen by more than 8,000 in the last year.

In East Kent, figures have reflected the national trend, with a striking increase in the cases of chlamydia – with 400 in 2003 rising to almost 1,200 in 2005.

Eastern and Coastal Kent Primary Care Trust (PCT) said the rise showed there was more awareness about the disease, that patients were willing to be tested and clinics had the capacity to meet the need.

Infections like warts, gonorrhoea and herpes have also risen.

West Kent PCT's figures showed a steady decline of STIs over the past three years.

The trust's public health specialist Angela Painter said: "These latest figures are welcome news, but we cannot be complacent."

Young people aged 15-24-years-old are most at risk of contracting an STI.

KCC now wants to ensure schools teach pupils about sex and relationships in a way that is relevant to children and young people.

Members of Kent Youth County Council will sit on the all-party committee to give their advice and perspective.

Hazell Moore, 17, a member of the committee, said she felt education should start early, be consistent and compulsory and focusing on relationships as well as the biological facts about sex.

The committee has made 18 recommendations including the expansion of the National Chlamydia Screening Programme to ensure full screening coverage of all sexually active young people under 25.

An East Kent PCT spokesman said the programme was well established in the east of the county and aimed to prevent complications from the disease such as infertility.

Condoms

He said the PCT was actively promoting the programme in the 15 to 24-year-old age group.

"There is active promotion of initiatives including distribution of free condoms to the under 19s, outreach workers in the community and a soon-to-be-launched male poster campaign – 'get your tackle tested'," he added.

West Kent PCT is set to launch a number of initiatives including increasing the capacity of sexual health clinics in Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells.

The trust was similarly planning to target young people, by increasing the amount of sexual health outreach workers.

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A HUGE gap in life expectancy between people in a Thanet ward and West Kent has been revealed.

The county council heard how there is a difference of more than 16 years between life expectancy for children in Castle ward in Dartford, where they can expect to live to be 89, and Cliftonville West in Margate, where on average they will reach only 72.4.

The figures were revealed during a debate on Kent's public health strategy, drawn up by KCC, West Kent NHS Primary Care Trust, and Eastern and Coastal Kent NHS Primary Care Trust with district and borough councils.

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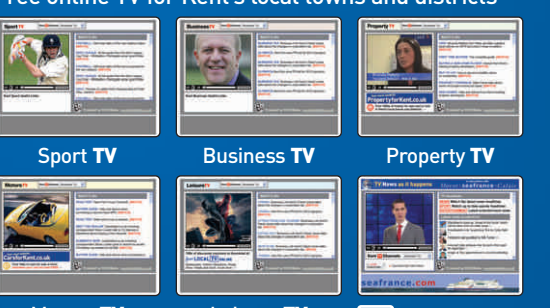
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Birth of a nation

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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WHEN Saint Augustine arrived in Kent more than 1,400 years ago, it sparked the beginning of civilisation in the country we now know as England.

Sent on a mission by Pope Gregory I, he arrived on an island inhabited by illiterate pagan warriors – the Anglo Saxons.

These were tough and barbaric times but the missionary was accepted by the most powerful and richest ruler in the country, Ethelbert, King of Kent.

He allowed St Augustine to found a monastery in 602 just outside the walls of Canterbury, and so the relationship between monarchy and Church was first established.

Martin Taylor, chairman of the Canterbury Commemoration Society, explained why St Augustine's Abbey is of great historic importance as the birthplace of the English nation.

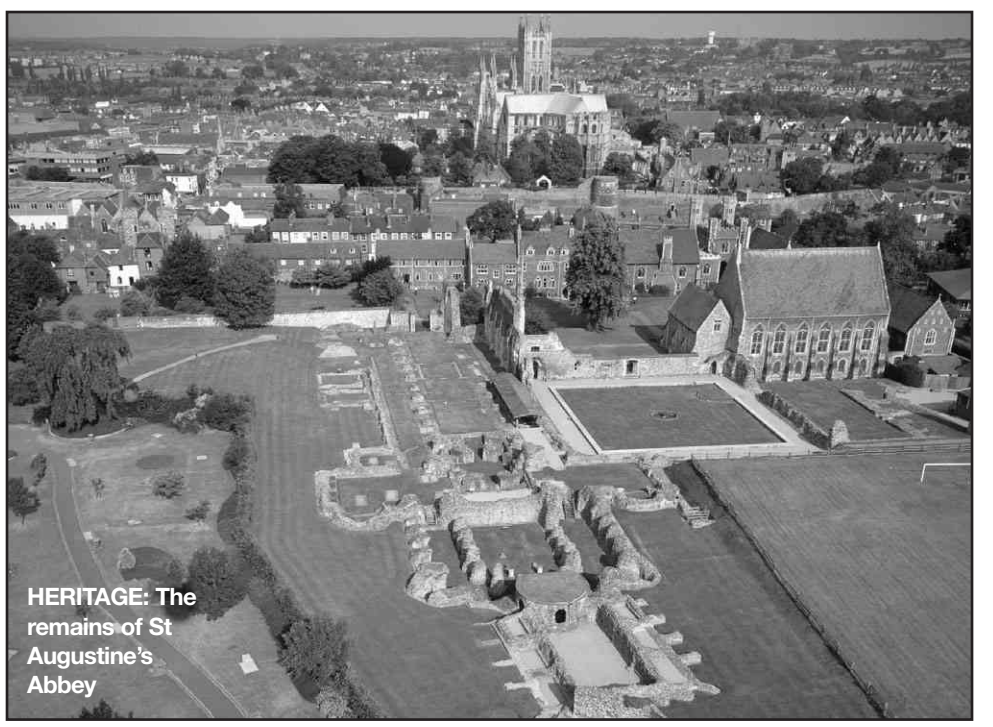
He said: "When the Romans left this country in 410, Roman civilisation disappeared with them.

"Augustine brought back not only Christianity, but Roman civilisation.

"The most important aspect of civilisation is literacy."

The historian, who lives in Addisham, told how when King Ethelbert was baptised around 600 he accepted the authority of the Pope, saying: "In his kingdom he created the alliance between King and Church.

"This is hugely important, when the mission was accepted in Kent it was the start of the English nation."



HERITAGE: The remains of St Augustine's Abbey

St Augustine's monastery was the first place the English language was written down. The language was comprised mostly of Roman characters with four made up letters added.

The king then ordered the laws of Kent to be recorded. This was another first as rulers had previously relied on Germanic legislation handed down by word of mouth, Mr Taylor said.

It was also the home of the arguably world's oldest existing school, The King's School, which is still based at the site, as St Augustine passed his knowledge to others.

But why was Ethelbert so accepting of this Roman who sought to bring change to the kingdom of Kent?

Perhaps it was because he was married to a Christian Frankish princess who perhaps had some influence over him, Mr Taylor said.

"If he accepted this religious business he accepted the package.

"If you accepted Christianity you started getting nice new buildings which existed in France at the time and lots of luxury goods from the Continent," he said.



CIVILISATION: St Augustine

The ruins of the abbey now represent what was a huge change in the way England grew as a nation and it is the burial place for the Kings of Kent and the first Archbishops of Canterbury who shaped it.

Mr Taylor added: "It was the start of the English nation. The actual spots where the leaders of the mission were buried can be seen traced on the ground."

The abbey, now a World Heritage Site, fell to the dissolution of Henry VIII but part of the site was converted to a palace for Anne of Cleves, which can still be seen.

Augustine became regarded as a saint following his death in 604, although there was no formal canonization process.

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LEARNER driver Gladys Field has a surprise incentive to help her pass her forthcoming test – the keys to a brand new car

The sparkling new Vauxhall Corsa SXi supermini was the prize in a draw staged by FG Barnes and Kosmedia, publisher of Kent on Sunday, which attracted nearly 4,000 entries.

Mrs Field and husband Ken, of Minster on Sheppey, entered when they visited this year's Kent County Show and were delighted – if cautious – when FG Barnes rang with news of the win.

"I thought someone was having me on at first," said Mrs Field. "I've never won anything before and I didn't expect anything this time – it just goes to prove that it's worth having a go."

The couple were especially delighted because Mr Field, a retired factory worker, has suffered ill-health recently and been driving less, prompting his wife to take driving lessons at a comparatively late stage in life.

"I have been learning in a Vauxhall Astra," said Mrs Field. "And, because our own Mondeo felt a bit too big for me to manage, was hoping to get a secondhand Astra after I passed my test – but this is much better."

Mrs Field, a playground supervisor at Minster Primary School, said her only worry now was keeping her smart new car from being borrowed by the rest of the family: "Our daughter, Claire, has already asked if she can borrow it."



NEW CAR: FG Barnes's Martin Lewis (left) presented Gladys Field and husband Ken with the Vauxhall Corsa and wished her well with her forthcoming 'L' test.

FG Barnes's general manager Martin Lewis said: "This has been a fantastic promotion for us, with an unprecedented level of entries via visitors to our showrooms at Park Wood, Maidstone, and the Kent Show.

"We were also keen to ensure that the car we offered was, in many ways, the pick of the award-winning Corsa line-up – a sporty little SXi with air conditioning – and it couldn't have gone to a more deserving winner. We wish Mrs Field well with her driving test."

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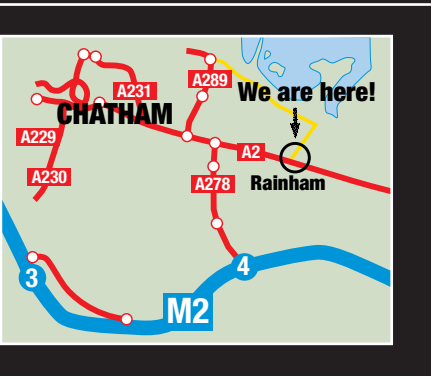
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Why Alan Clark 'adored'



RIGHT-HAND MAN: Alistair Campbell

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ALASTAIR Campbell's diaries have cast new light on the unlikely friendship he formed with Alan Clark.

Tony Blair's press secretary and the late Conservative MP spoke regularly during the 1990s as the Tory Party disintegrated and New Labour surged to power.

For Campbell, the curious alliance offered intelligence and insight into different Tory factions, which he used to exploit to Labour's advantage.

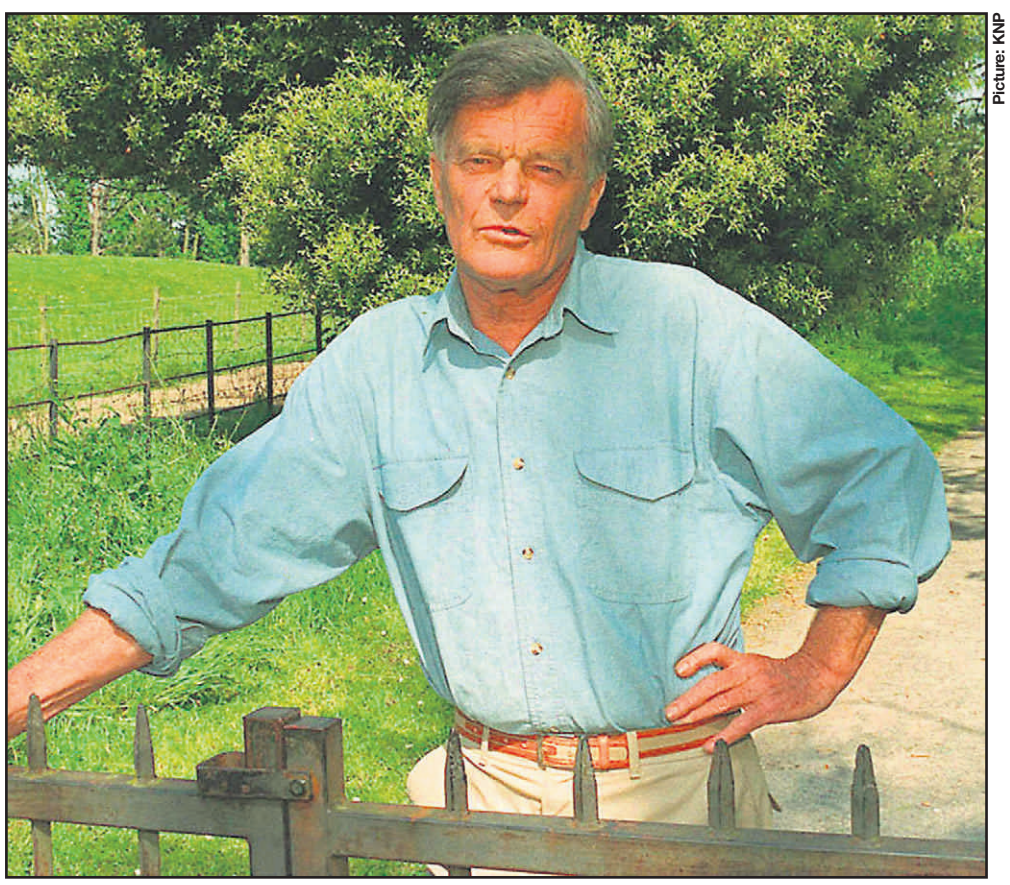
For Clark, it allowed him to satisfy his professed love of "the company of intelligent and powerful people" which he said was "one of the most seductive drugs in politics".

Clark, who lived at Saltwood Castle, near Hythe, won widespread acclaim and notoriety for his own diaries with their frank accounts of his life and loves as an MP from the 1970s to the 1990s.

He spoke to Campbell at least once a week, according to the political journalist Peter Oborne who documented the friendship in 1999.

Mr Oborne said Campbell's urbanity, arrogance, worship of power and sense of having been born to rule was hugely attractive to an Old Etonian like Clark: "This is why he adored Campbell."

Campbell's diaries, The Blair Years, contain many references to the friendship that grew between the two as the Conservatives lost their grip on power.



Picture: KNP

UNLIKELY ALLIANCE: Alan Clark in the grounds of his home, Saltwood Castle

Despite the ulterior motives of both men, Campbell's diaries reveal a genuine and affectionate element to the friendship – and the "mega-mischief" that Clark was capable of.

An entry in March 1995 recounts: "Alan Clark called and when Fiona [Millar, Campbell's partner] answered, Alan said "Fiona, hi, it's Tony, is Ali there?" and for a moment she fell for it.

"Alan said they were going for a 'Tory Tony' tag. I said fine, all your voters will hear of that

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Campbell

is that he must have changed the Labour Party if they're calling him a Tory. Mmmm, he said, maybe we're ******."

Three days later, he recalled a lunch with Clark when the Tory told him how the party's high command was "obsessed" with Campbell.

Clark told him: "They think their weakness is they haven't got someone like you. It was a way of them avoiding confronting their far deeper problems."

Clark regularly confided in Campbell, detailing the strife of the Conservatives under John Major. In June, 1996, Campbell wrote: "Alan Clark called and was in despair. 'I think we're probably ******,' he said. 'It's like the patient got ill, and the doctor prescribed antibiotics, but the patient didn't improve, and if anything got worse, so we whacked in a few tons of cortisone but nothing, absolutely nothing, has happened to make things better. So that says to me the patient is enduring a slow and lingering death.'

"I said you've quite cheered me up, Alan, and he said, 'Congratters, I have to say you guys have been playing a blinder and our people don't know what to do.' He was in excited, excitable form, emphasising every single word as he spoke – 'And our people just don't know what to do'."

In March, 1997, a month ahead of Labour's historic landslide victory, Campbell recalled another conversation. Clark said to him: "Congratters. It's going to be a bloody rout. If we carry on like this, we will be lucky to get 100 seats. I have never known morale so bad. You guys are just running rings round us day after day. There is no other way to describe it."

Horrified

Campbell responded: "I said we were doing our main poster launch in Kent and was there any chance we could use the grounds of his castle? I said I wanted a big field. He laughed away and said 'Why not? I love black humour.'"

The pair even socialised together with their partners, as an earlier entry in May 1995 revealed. Campbell wrote: "Neil and Glenys [Kinnock], the Stotts [journalist Richard and wife] and the Braggs were due for dinner, but Neil and Glenys called off in the afternoon. I gave Alan Clark a call on the off chance. The Braggs arrived and Melvyn was absolutely horrified. He said he loathed Alan C.

"Alan and Jane arrived in one of his Bentleys, which could barely squeeze through the two lines of parked cars outside. They came to the door, Alan leaving the car parked outside with the engine running and he says: 'Where does a chap park his charabanc round these parts?'

"He was wearing tight beige trousers the likes of which I don't think the street had ever seen. I said I wouldn't leave the keys in the car. At one point Fiona mentioned there was a bit of crab in the starter and he went into major melodrama, rushing to the door shouting, 'Crab, crab, I can't eat crab,' then throwing up very loudly in the front garden."

Advancement

Clark, who was a committed vegetarian, died at Saltwood at the age of 71 in September 1999. There is no mention of his death in the Campbell diaries.

Mr Oborne made the observation last week that the best political diarists were located on the fringes rather than at the centre of power.

"The two finest British journals from the 20th century were written by failures – Alan Clark and Chips Cannon. Only rarely did they get the sustained access they craved to the great figures of their day. They were looking in hungrily in from the outside, yearning for advancement which never came.

"Both journals gain a great deal of narrative pace and comic structure from this frenetic search for power and status. The reader knows, but the diarist does not, that the quest is doomed. Alastair Campbell, by contrast, was at the centre."

While Campbell was "an extremely skilful tabloid journalist" who controlled Tony Blair's public image, he had few literary skills, said Mr Oborne.

As the commentator noted, Clark's three volumes of diaries are regarded as among the best of the last century.

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Skaters' new park and ride

A MAJOR new skateboard park opened in Swalecliffe this week.

The £274,000 city council project, part funded with a £65,000 lottery grant, has been designed following consultation with local skaters.

The council said the opening of the park brings to an end the search to provide young people from Herne Bay and Whitstable with skate facilities.

Originally, sites for both towns were considered, but after public consultation it was decided to build a larger, more comprehensive skate park to serve both towns.

Cllr Jenny Samper said: "We know young people can't wait to start using the new skate park."

Fit for purpose

A LEISURE centre is relaunching after a £15 million state-of-the-art facelift.

From September 15, the public will be able to use a range of new features at the Stour Centre in Ashford.

Housed in a new glass building will be a 25-metre pool, flumes and a raging river, a gym with 100 exercise machines, as well as a spa and sauna.

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RISING STARS: The DVD cover for Lunatic; Regan, Bill and Maria Maloney at home

Raving about Lunatic movie

A GRITTY new gangster film that shunned trained actors for people plucked from the streets, has won major acclaim.

Lunatic was written by Bill Maloney from his chalet at Seaview Chalet Park in Whitstable.

Its unusual format was inspired by Alfred Hitchcock's 1948 film, Rope, which was recorded in one location and in as few takes as possible.

By **JAMIE McGINNES**
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Mr Maloney, who is from South London, and his wife Maria, sold their ex-council flat and made Lunatic on a budget of just £40,000. National newspapers have described the film as a "bracing masterclass in mobster movie-making" and "a refreshing alternative to the bloated blockbuster".

The film explores the world of two South London brothers and their gangland associates.

Bill and Perry, the brothers, are small time entrepreneurs. Howard, Dave and Laurie are their partners. They earn the bulk of their money from collecting rents on former council properties that they acquire through a scam.

The main character of the story, Bill, takes the viewer through two days of events that he persistently blames upon an impending full moon.

Auditions for parts in the film, inviting trained actors from established drama schools, proved disastrous, so to find an authentic cast, Mr Maloney turned to the streets of London, holding open auditions in the local shopping centre.

Diamonds

A spokesman said: "Using bricklayers, hairdressers, factory workers, nurses etc, he work-shopped and filmed the cast's development over 12 months.

"Once the rough diamonds were polished, Pie 'n' Mash Films [the Maloney's film company] then shot the 86-minute feature Lunatic in 21 days."

His second film is in the final stages of post-production. Nearly all of it was shot on the Kent coast and used cast from the streets of Herne Bay.

As with Lunatic, the film was made with as small a crew as possible: one camera operator, one lighting man, one soundman, one director and one producer. Mr Maloney said that wasn't to save money but to speed up the process and to give him and the cast more freedom.

"Large sets, in my opinion, definitely subtract from this particular genre of film, which is highly performance-driven. Performers are freer to express themselves and give more natural performances without an audience of sometimes as many as 50-plus on set."

Mr Maloney's daughter and co-director of Pie'n'Mash Films, Regan, lives in Beckenham.

• ***Lunatic is available to buy on DVD***.



This brand new event, hosted by The Hop Farm and Kosmedia will provide visitors of all ages and abilities with a unique opportunity to see and try a wide range of sporting activities all in one venue.

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- Have-a-go activities including the impressive 8m high Mont Blanc climbing wall, the Segway self-balancing personal transporter and the thrill inducing Apaches.
- Show off your football skills in an inflatable football pitch and take coaching tips from the team at Charlton Athletic Community Scheme Solutions.
- All day tournaments and competitions including a Kent Polo Cross tournament.
- Activities for all abilities including disability & special needs football from Invicta Valiants.
- Shopping village offering the latest clothing and equipment.
- Exciting arena events including exhilarating bike tricks.



Also available for visitors at the show will be the opportunity to watch the region's budding football stars competing in Kent's Future Football Stars, where the young players compete for the chance to play for top English clubs.

Please note that players must pre-register for this event on www.thehopfarm.co.uk/football

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Winning wines

ONE of Kent's best-known vineyards has won a clutch of top awards from a national competition held at the House of Lords.

Biddenden Vineyards took the medals at the United Kingdom Vineyards Association Awards.

It won three bronze medals and a highly commended honour.

The United Kingdom Vineyards Association holds the annual competition.

This year there were more than 200 entries in various categories, including sparkling white and rose, plus still wines, in three categories: white, red, and rose.

Tom Jinks, Biddenden's marketing manager, said: "In view of such competition, we are delighted to have received four awards for our white, red and rosé and white sparkling wines."

The company took bronze in the white wine, sparkling white with its 2001 and sparkling rosé for its 2005.

The highly commended award was in the red wine category for its Dornfelder 2006.



WINNERS: Pupils from Hereson School with KoS editor Bernard Ginns and community worker Baikisu Deen-Sie

Lessons to enrich your life

TALENTED boys from a high school in Thanet were presented with prizes for their projects on Sierra Leone.

By **PETER BOYES**
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Twelve-year-olds from the Hereson School in Broadstairs completed the projects after a visit by a Sierra Leonean woman who told them of her



MY STORY: Baikisu Deen-Sie

experiences growing up in West Africa and her new life in Kent.

Baikisu Deen-Sie, a community support worker, gave a talk to the school in June about how difficult it was for girls to get an education in Sierra Leone, even before the brutal civil war of the 1990s.

She told them of her family's experience during the decade-long conflict which claimed the lives of up to 70,000 people and plunged the country into total chaos and extreme poverty.

Ms Deen-Sie's visit to the boys' school was organised in conjunction with the KCC-backed Kent Minority Communities Achievement Service. She has visited a number of schools and community groups around the county to speak about her interesting life.

At the prize ceremony on Monday, the assistant head-teacher Anne Francis told year-seven pupils: "What you have done is excellent. You have become aware of what is going on in a different part of the world.

"That is what will make you better citizens – your understanding and empathy of other people's lives in another part of the world will help you cope with your own lives here in this community."

Four pupils were honoured for their work. Zac Rodgers won top prize for his comprehensive, well-informed and insightful report which provided an overview of the country's geography, history and political situation. Teachers praised the thoroughness and attention to detail of his project. Ms Deen-Sie told him: "There was so much information in your project that I did not know about."

Connor Spencer came second and said: "It was so interesting learning about the country."

Refugees

Ciaran Rouse came third for his project, which featured a picture of a young child victim of the war with her hands cut off. Next to the picture, he wrote the caption: "Who could do this to a child?"

Connor Byrne came fourth for his general project about refugees, from war-torn and famine-hit countries.

Kent on Sunday editor Bernard Ginns handed out certificates to the pupils during the ceremony. He gave a speech about the successful KoS campaign to send books to Sierra Leone and his "adventure" last month in the country.

Mr Ginns also told the pupils how a couple of Hereson old boys had gone on to great things.

Paul and Michael Stannard were at the school in the late 1970s and early 1980s. They are now two of the main shareholders in KOS Media, the company that publishes Kent on Sunday.

Michael Stannard is also a director of one of South East's leading building companies, Cardy Construction.

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The thieves who targeted the dead

CRIMINALS who stole more than 100 memorial plaques from a crematorium have been branded "disrespectful and cowardly".

The plaques were prized from stone vases in the Vinters Park Crematorium in Maidstone on Monday evening.

They are bronze, 6ins by 3ins and display the names of the recently deceased.

PC Geoff Greensmith said he believed this was an organised theft and would have involved planning.

"A metal fence has been cut to gain access into the crematorium and a vehicle may have been required to carry the plaques, due to the large number taken.

"We also suspect that those responsible will attempt to sell the metal to scrap dealers and urge vigilance from local businesses. The theft has angered the staff at the crematorium and the relatives of the deceased and we are sure that someone must have information regarding this shocking crime."

Forensics investigator Andy Broomham said: "This crime is despicable, preying on the dead who cannot defend themselves and relatives who have already had to cope with losing loved ones.

"We are currently examining the area along with CCTV footage."



KENT ON SUNDAY

COMMENT

Gone off the rails

DIRTY, smelly, late, over-crowded, unsafe, and expensive to boot. Put bluntly, our national railways are an absolute disgrace and bring shame on our nation.

The blame for this sorry state of affairs lies not with a particular political party but with successive governments.

The Conservative decision to privatise the railways led to profiteering and underinvestment at the sake of passenger safety. The failure of Labour to sort out the mess of ownerships and responsibilities compounded it.

The Department for Transport must get a grip and put our railway system back on track.

We need clean, safe and comfortable rail travel at a price that gives us value for money.

Porous borders

IT is worrying that so many illegal immigrants are still trying to clandestinely enter the UK every month – via Kent.

Rather than stopping them from coming here, tighter border controls are only making them redouble their efforts.

Perhaps most alarming of all, however, is the fact that the French authorities are merely turning many of them away – leaving them to try and get into the UK again.

Never be forgotten

FLIGHT Sergeant Eric Williams set out on his last combat mission on October 15, 1940.

The Battle of Britain pilot and his colleagues were unlucky enough to come up against crack flyers from the German Fighter Group 26, including a famous ace.

Although it has taken more than 66 years, it is fitting and proper that he be finally given a proper burial. The sacrifice made by The Few must never be forgotten.

OPINION: The threat from above

DR HILARY NEWPORT discusses the recent White Paper on planning



PEOPLE may sometimes feel they do not have much of a voice in opposing or backing development plans, but if Government proposals go ahead they could be almost silent.

The recent White Paper on Planning contains some far-reaching ideas which – unless stopped – would change the face of the planning system. At the moment you can have some say about what is built in your area, but that right is under attack.

Mention White Papers to most people and they'll yawn – but I've been pleasantly surprised that when I talk to locals, such as at the Kent Show, they certainly know about this one.

The proposals would benefit big business and developers at the expense of local democracy and the countryside. If a development is reckoned to be good for national economic growth then it would almost certainly be allowed to go ahead.

The Government under Gordon Brown, the ex-Chancellor, is clearly, and in some ways rightly, putting economic growth at the top of its agenda, not just in this White Paper but also in the way it wants to transfer powers from the Regional Assemblies to the Regional Development Agencies, and phase out the assemblies.

In Kent we would see the powers of the South East England Regional Assembly go to the South East England Development Agency (Seeda), which has a straight economic brief.

Seeda would take over full executive responsibility for the region's planning and housing, preparing new "integrated regional strategies", linking key regional economic and spatial strategies.

'And where does the voice of the local people come in? Quietly, if at all. They will be up against a system where decisions about plans have basically already been made'

So what? Well, development agencies have been criticised for often boosting economic growth in ways that undermine environmental sustainability.

Coming back to the White Paper, its proposals clearly give a higher priority to short term economic rather than environmental considerations, and it calls for a faster, more streamlined planning system.

And instead of final decisions on Major Infrastructure Projects (MIPs) – such as power stations, major road developments and airport expansions – being made by a Secretary of State that power would be with an independent Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC).

National Policy Statements (NPSs) would be drawn up, probably one for each type of infrastructure, and put through an as yet unclear Parliamentary and public consultation process. But once they have been finalised there would be no opportunity to question the need for any development which they sanction.

The IPC, an unelected quango, would be the guardian of the NPSs and would liaise with developers – and it would be expected to generally give approval to development plans as long as the correct procedures have been followed.

And where does the voice of the local people come in? Quietly, if at all. They will be up against a system where decisions about plans have basically already been made, and will go ahead unless adverse local consequences outweighed the benefits, including national benefits identified in the national policy statement.

Now is the time to take action. The consultation period closes on August 17 so time is short. Contact me at the Campaign to Protect Rural England, Kent branch, on 01303 815180, or see our website www.cprekent.org.uk to find out how you can have your say. Make your voice heard – while you can.

• ***Dr Hilary Newport is director of the Kent branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England.***

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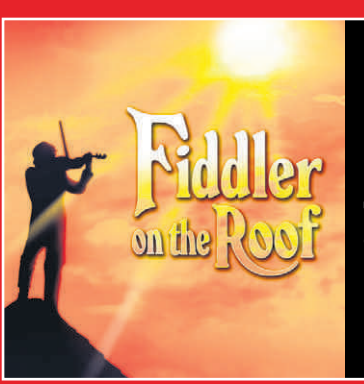
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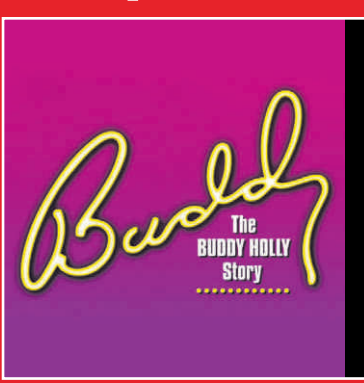
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The queen lives

I write with reference to David Ansell's letter in last week's Kent on Sunday regarding the Paddle Steamer Medway Queen and I would like to thank him very much for his support and kind words. The Medway Queen is no longer on the mudflats, having been carefully disassembled last year in preparation for her rebuild funded by a 1.8 million pound lottery grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund which we were awarded.

As for Chatham Historic Dockyard, they are not in a position now to accommodate the ship, but are hosting our rebuilt funnel and paddle boxes which are on public display. If readers want to find out more about the project, they can log onto our website at www.medwayqueen.co.uk for the latest news.

John Kempton
Chairman, Medway Queen Preservation Society

Independent view

Your article on the Tour de France included the news that a pub in Dartford was celebrating a "We Hate the French Day" (KoS, July 8).

As the article mentioned the fact that Mark Croucher, the pub landlord, previously worked for the UK Independence Party, we would like to clarify that whilst the main policy of UKIP is to seek the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union, our Party does not advocate xenophobia in any form. Mr Croucher's remarks are his personal views.

Our quarrel is with the undemocratic, and self proclaimed, empire of the European Union.

Nic Jack
Folkestone

Councillor's carbon footprint

We were interested to read of the leader of Kent County Council's joyride from Peking to Paris and sincerely hope his Bentley was powered by sunbeams.

We now eagerly await news as to what he proposes to do to offset the tonnes of carbon his pointless escapade emitted into the atmosphere.

In March this year, Councillor Paul Carter ignored Al Gore's Inconvenient Truth and boycotted the Kent Environmental Strategy Conference, no doubt preferring to plan his planet-polluting prank. How would his leader, David Cameron, rate such a killjoy attitude to his party's conservational rhetoric?

In 1907 the handful of European aristocrats on their pioneering travels, were quite unaware of any long-term damaging consequences. However in 1961, during our Paul's lifetime, a really brave Russian explorer, Yuri Gagarin, photographed our planet from space and discovered that man's galavanting and greed is destroying the very "detached residence" on which the whole of humankind relies for survival. Apparently unconcerned, our leader's selfish shortsightedness could even curtail his own house-building nest egg. A classic example of money over matter. What an inspiring example to his electorate.

May we suggest, that if you must contest rather than conserve, Mr Carter, in future you cart yourself off on a bike.

Vera Elliott
Sustainability Actions, Margate

Thin argument

I have to say I am very disappointed at your coverage recently of the Cambridge Diet.

Your coverage (KoS, July 16) stated the diet was dangerous and basically a starvation diet which is totally unfair.

I myself did the diet a couple of years ago and lost nearly 12 stone and have managed to keep it off by changing my lifestyle and my food intake and I can only put that down to the success of the diet. I am now a diet counsellor alongside my day job so I can help others lose weight and more importantly keep it off. The latest NICE guidelines on obesity state that diets such as Cambridge are a very effective way of losing weight and hence should be used. I would also like to say that Cambridge spends a lot of time trying to stop people selling the product on eBay and other auction websites and to get the diet from a counsellor you have to go through a medical form and if needed your GP has to sign you onto the diet. Anyway check out my blog at www.mycambridgelife.co.uk. Please don't underestimate how much this diet has changed my life and to see it written about as a crackpot dangerous diet is just not fair to me or your readers.

Mike Scott
Great Yarmouth

Real cost of drugs

The misuse of drugs including alcohol is costing us all a fortune, being a cause of significant expenditure from rates and taxes.

For many families the consequences of misuse are tragic. The problem is escalating.

Currently drug matters are being debated both locally and at Westminster. Let it be a public debate, after all the public are paying out every day to pick up the pieces.

The statistics for drug-related crime, for children taken into care from drugged or drunk parents, for drug-related hospital admissions, for drug or drink-fuelled domestic violence, for drug-created mental illness, make grim reading and cost you money. Act now, join the debate.

I believe that elected members of parliament and councils need to know that enough is enough. We need fresh initiatives now to prevent more of our children or grandchildren being sucked into binge drinking and drug taking.

Write or email me now: Kent County Councillor David Hirst, Kent County Council, Sessions House, Members Desk, Maidstone, Kent.

Email: david.hirst@kent.gov.uk.

Councillor D Hirst
Kent County Council

Layer it on

If Reg Hansell of Shepherdswell (Letters, July 22) wants to receive his "fair share of income" from local government, he is mistaken to think that a unitary council for East Kent will be more efficient.

They are the fourth layer in the EU regional structure, comprising Committee of the Regions (Brussels), Arch Manche (Paris), SEERA (Guildford), unitary authority and parish council.

Our traditional three layer county, district and parish council set-up is less bureaucratic and more importantly 100 per cent democratically elected.

Ask the people in Gillingham and Rochester if they feel fairly represented by the centralised Medway unitary authority, and they will tell you they preferred their defunct district and city councils.

Terry Kendall
Folkestone

Listen to drivers

Kent Highways had a whole page advert in Kent on Sunday and part of that was for its programme of future massive speed limit reductions. To justify this downgrading, it stated "Speed is a major factor in death and serious injury."

Really? The Department of Transport (DfT) in its report dated October 2006, said that "exceeding the speed limit or going too fast for conditions were reported as a contributory factor in 15 per cent of all accidents. However, the factor became more significant with the severity of the accident; it was reported as a contributory factor in 26 per cent of fatal accidents".

So is the DfT wrong, or is Kent Highways just trying to mislead us with its "major factor" claims?

The advert also says it will consult with parish councils and local residents, nothing is mentioned about drivers. But then, I suppose with about 70,000 speeding prosecutions annually in Kent, they know exactly what the average driver thinks.

Terry Hudson
Herne Bay





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George Dennis Darby born 13th July 2007 at QEQM, weighing 8lb 3oz. Son to Anthony and Melissa of Margate. Our most beautiful and precious son.

DAVIES
James and Alison nee Whittaker of Chestfield celebrate the birth of their daughter Cara Isobel on 4th July 2007 weighing 6lb 8oz.

DENNIS
Jack and Joanne celebrate the birth of their daughter Kacey Ruby Dennis on 27th June 2007 at QEQM. A sister for Lewis Thomas Dennis.

EBA
Martiel and Sandrine are pleased to announce the birth of their son Matheo, born on Friday 6th July 2007 at 12.30pm, weighing 3.28kg. Brother to Gabriel born on Friday 6th July 2001 at 1pm.

FAIRCLOUGH
Hafida and Bill are pleased to announce the birth of their healthy daughter Serena. Born on 2 July 2007. Sister for Paris.

FOWLE
Claire and Jim celebrate the birth of their son Edward Sidney born 4th July 2007.

GARDNER
Selena and Antony Gardner of East Malling celebrate the birth of their daughter Holly Rebecca Gardner on 6th July 2007, weighing 6lb 14oz.

GILLINGHAM
Craig Gillingham and Louise Connell are proud to announce the birth of their beautiful baby girl Georgia Helen Gillingham born on 18th July 2007 weighing 6lb 8oz. A baby sister for Scarlet. Lots of love.

GREEN
Anthony and Fiona are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Katherine Emma born on 16th July 2007, weighing 9lb 6oz.

GUTHRIE
Roger and Michelle Guthrie of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their son James William Guthrie on 17th July 2007, weighing 7lb 11oz.

HAMILTON
Lindsay and Alastair proudly announce the birth of their daughter Rosie Diane sister to Toby Abbie and Sophie-Anne on 16th July 2007 in William Harvey Hospital.

HEATH
Leon and Jennifer celebrate the birth of their son Samuel Steven, born on 16th July 2007 at the William Harvey Hospital, weighing 8lb 3oz. Brother to Holly Sarah.

HEATON
To Dave and Cherisse a beautiful son Ellis-Ki born on Friday 13th July 2007. A baby brother for Vinnie-Jay.

HOBSON
Warren and Nicola from Whitstable would like to announce the birth of Bethany, born on the 14th July 2007 at Margate Hospital. A sister for Megan.

HOLLAND
William Alexander born on 21st June 2007 weighing 7lb 1oz. Son to Katy and Al and a brother for Freddie.

HUBBARD
Paul and Gail of Bekesbourne are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Isabella India Hubbard on 28th June 2007. A sister for Poppy.

LEE
Glenn and Colleen of Canterbury celebrate the birth of their daughter Kadey Summer Lee on the 12th July 2007.

McGUINNESS
Natalie and Neil of Elham are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their beautiful daughter Eva Isabella McGuinness born on 10th July 2007 weighing 7lb 15oz at The William Harvey Hospital, Ashford.

MONK
Ken and Gemma of Herne Bay are delighted to announce the birth of their son Tyler Jay born on 18th July 2007.

MUCKELL
Jessica Bridie born on 18th July 2007, weighing 7lb 1oz. Daughter to Chris and Lynette in Dover.

NORTHFIELD
Sean and Dawn Northfield are proud to announce the birth of their baby daughter Leah Marie Northfield born on 16th July 2007 weighing 8lb 1oz. All our love Mummy and Daddy xx.

PACKHAM
George Trevor born on 18th July 2007 weighing 8lb 11oz. Son to Terri Chandler and Gareth Packham of Tenterden.

PRANATHI
Pranathi Jyothi born at 4.08 am on 19th July 2007 at the William Harvey Hospital. Daughter to Aparna and Sreedhar Jyothi.

ROBINSON
James and Gemma are pleased to announce the birth of their son Jacob Thomas, born on 18th July 2007 at the William Harvey Hospital, weighing 6lb 15oz. First grandchild for Frank and Diane Robinson.

ROPER
Deborah and David from Deal are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful twin girls Emma Louise and Megan Elizabeth, born on 13th July 2007 in Ashford.

SABEAN
Angel Crystal born on the 12th July 2007 weighing 6lb 3oz. Daughter to Aaron and Kirsty.

SEAL
Devon Ian George Seal born 6th July 2007 weighing 8lb 10oz son to Ian and Nicola Seal.

STONEBRIDGE
Charlie born on 22nd July 2007, weighing 6lb 8oz. Daughter to Simon and Justine in Dover. A sister to Chelsea Natasha Brandon and Billi.

STRABLE
Richard and Kathy of Bearsted celebrate the birth of their son Jack Michael Strable on 12th July 2007, weighing 7lb 12oz.

SUMPTER
Blase born on 17th July 2007, weighing 6lb 2oz. Son to Lee and Jodie in Folkestone.

TAYLOR
Claire and Paul are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Laetitia Ruby Alexandria on 14th July 2007. A baby sister for Tolemy.

TAYLOR
Andrew and Charlotte Taylor are pleased to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Isabella Ann Taylor born on 12th July 2007.

TIRMAZY
We celebrate the birth of Hassan Mujtaba born on 20th July 2007 to Uzma and Hammad in England. First grandchild of S K Shah and Tehseen Tahira.

WHEATLEY
Natasha Start and David Wheatley are proud to announce the birth of their son Kalan David Goldston Wheatley brother to Shannon Shelsea and Keaton. Kalan was born on 18th July 2007 weighing 7lb 2oz.

WICKS
Helen and Leighton Wicks of Ashford celebrate the birth of their daughter Rebecca Elizabeth on 20th July 2007.

WILLSON
Phebee Jean Willson born 5th July 2007 weighing 7lb 3oz daughter to Mark Willson and Kelly Jeans.

WRIGHT-PURSSORD
Catrina and Peter would like to celebrate the birth of their little girl Kira-Lee born on 5th July 2007. Sister to James, Jessica and Bradley.

ZEELIE
Joanne and Rowan Zeelie of Yalding celebrate the birth of their daughter Bianca Marilyn Zeelie on 3rd July 2007, baby sister to Rachael.

DEATHS

BRETT
Jim, Passed away at home 20th July, released from suffering, now safe in his Mothers arms. Loving husband of Jean, Step-father to Manda andSian, Father-in-law to Freda, Grandad to Liam, Martin and Marcus. Funeral is Tuesday 31st July, 1pm, St Paul's RC Church, 2pm Barham. All friends and family welcome to say goodbye and join us at St Paul's Social Club, Malion Dieu Road, to share a toast to his life. Flowers or donations to Dover Group Diabetes UK, c/o Mr Farrier, London Road, Dover. Loved and sadly missed and only time will ease the pain, he is now sailing on the sea of clouds again.

CASTLE
Roger George Castle died peacefully on the 14th July 2007. Much loved Husband, Father and Brother.

COULE
Rose of Herne Bay formerly of Walworth passed away peacefully on July 16th 2007 aged 85 years. Much loved and sadly missed by everyone.

DILLON
Paul Andrew passed away 18th July 2007 in Canterbury. Funeral has taken place. Donations to Canterbury Hospice welcome. To live in the hearts of those left behind is to live forever.

DUKE
Bernard Stephen Duke of Barming passed away on 16th July 2007. Enquiries to Sears Barming.

EPPS
Jean Ann Epps of Faversham passed away suddenly at her home on 15th July 2007. A loving mum who will be very sadly missed.

EVANS
David Rees Evans of Maidstone formerly of Llanelli, Carmarthenshire passed away peacefully after a long illness on 21st July 2007 aged 72.

GILL
Michael aged 60 years of Canterbury passed way on 20th July 2007 Enquiries regarding funeral details to C W Lyons Canterbury.

HORNSBY
Margaret Hornsby of Maidstone, formerly of Marden, passed away eacefully after a long illness on 23rd July 2007. Memorial Service at Marden Church at 12 noon on 31st July.

HORTON
Elsie Rose Emma Horton of Herne Bay passed away peacefully on 15th July 2007.Loving wife of Cyril, daughter Yvonne, grandchildren Philip and Christopher and all the family.

HOWLING
Geoffrey Charles Henry Howling of Whitstable passed away peacefully on 17th July 2007.

JONES
Olive Doris Jones of Margate Kent passed away on the 17th July 2007. Enquiries to Earl and Company Funeral Directors Ashford.

LANCASTER
George Lancaster, known as Jock, passed away peacefully on the 19th July 2007. Forever in our hearts.

MAHONEY
James Anthony Mahoney of Canterbury passed away peacefully on 18th July 2007.

NORRINGTON
Norman Frank Norrington of Whitstable passed away suddenly on 15th July 2007.Loving husband of Gladys and loving dad to Maureen. He will be very sadly missed by friends and family.

PITCHER
William James Pitcher 19/12/1918 - 12/07/2007 died peacefully at home, now with his beloved wife Edith. Loving father and grandfather. Funeral to be held Christchurch Gravesend 1pm 26th July 2007.

PRINCE
Joan Mary Prince of Herne Bay passed away peacefully on 18th July 2007. Funeral enquiries to Welch and Son of Herne Bay.

ROBERTS
Ann Roberts of Canterbury, widow of the Reverend Selwyn Roberts, beloved mother of Robert and Mark and grandmother of Tom and Poppy, died peacefully at High Meadow Nursing Home Canterbury on 19th July 2007 aged 96 years. Funeral service on Tuesday 31st July at 12 noon in the Chapel of Our Lady Undercroft, Canterbury Cathedral. All very welcome. Family flowers only but donations to Canterbury Cathedral Development Campaign c/o C W Lyons and Son Ltd, 70 Military Road, Canterbury.

RUSHBY
Betty Rushby died peacefully at home on 21st July 2007. Funeral service at Thanet Crematorium at 2.00pm on 1st August 2007.

SHILLING
Charles Alfred Shilling of Sittingbourne passed away peacefully at his home on 23rd July 2007. Loving father, grandfather and great grandfather who will be very sadly missed.

SOUTHERN
Mary Ida passed away peacefully on Monday 23 July 2007 at the Miramar. Enquiries to A Welch Herne Bay. She will be sadly missed.

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Credit to cycling

What a shame that the thrilling spectacle of the Tour de France which so recently visited the county has been marred by drug use.

But I say it is to the sport's credit that officials are prepared to highlight the cheats and expel them.

I am sure that many other sports simply brush unpleasant allegations under the carpet and rake in the sponsorship money and TV cash.

Cyling may have a drugs problem, but at least they're tackling it.

Keith Hudson
Goudhurst

Respect veterans

The latest health and safety nonsense is possibly the most ludicrous yet from this increasingly infuriating nanny state.

Apparently marshalls are to be required to police the routes for Remembrance Day parades at a cost of around £50 a day.

So many of the traditional November marches will not be held at all as no funds are available.

At a time when the Government uses our Armed Forces in far flung places across the world and then asks them to help clean up floods, such disrespect to our veterans is shameful.

Ray Mullens
Tonbridge

Grey is the colour

While the words 'climate change' frequently accompany any reference to this wet summer, can I just say it is exactly the same sort of conditions we used to have 10 years ago in the so-called British summer.

Rain, grey skies and drizzle were what we expected – not the recent years which have seen prolonged spells of heatwaves.

Beth Jones
Margate

No magic for me

Am I the only person in Britain not reading the Harry Potter book?

I have overheard countless conversations about who lives, who dies and who ends up with whom.

Well I don't care... the sooner the adventures of the so-called teenage wizard end the better.

Terry Geller
Maidstone

Herbal hazards

I note a new report that says a single cannabis cigarette increases the risk of serious mental illness of more than 40 per cent.

Cannabis use was very common when I was at university in Manchester and lots of my friends smoked it regularly.

Many of those people now have good jobs with lots of responsibilities. I don't think cannabis affected them badly. But I do recall a cannabis user in my halls of residence who ended up committing suicide. People should know that drugs can be dangerous.

J Oliver
Blackheath

YOUR LETTERS

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WIN a steam train trip to the Faversham Hop Festival

THE HISTORIC town of Faversham celebrates its colourful past with the 16th Faversham Hop Festival on Saturday and Sunday, September 1-2, incorporating the best local fare and some real treats for steam train enthusiasts, courtesy of brewer Shepherd Neame.

Each year the Faversham Hop Festival recalls the days when Londoners would travel from the capital by train to take their annual working holiday in the Kent hop fields, bringing in the harvest and ending their stay with huge parties.

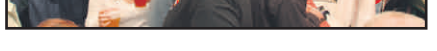
Shepherd Neame continues this tradition with a steam train trip from London Bridge to the festival on the Saturday and from Brighton to Faversham on the Sunday. There will also be steam excursions from Faversham to Ramsgate and Sheerness.

For detailed information and steam train bookings call 01795 542285 or book online at www.shepherdneame.co.uk. Advance booking is essential.

For the chance to win tickets for a compartment for six passengers 'Spitfire Class' travelling from Faversham to Ramsgate simply answer the question below and send your entry on a postcard along with your email address (if applicable),name, address, and daytime telephone number to Steam Train Comp, KOS Media, Apple Barn, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR.

The train departs Faversham at 11.30am on Saturday, September 1, and the return journey lasts for around an hour and 45 minutes, offering passengers excellent views of the Kent coast as it steams through Whitstable and Herne Bay. Closing Date is 22.08.07

Question: When is the Faversham Hop Festival?



Murder reward

A REWARD of £10,000 has been offered for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of the killers of a teenage boy.

Ben Hitchcock, 16, died in a fight involving up to 40 youths in Southend Road, Beckenham, on Saturday, June 23.

He was stabbed during the brawl, which police now believe started over a private party in Copers Cope Road. A group of youths tried to gain entry, but had no tickets and were turned away.

The party then finished and a melee broke out in the street. When police turned up they found Ben suffering from stab wounds.

He was taken to University Hospital Lewisham, but was pronounced dead on arrival.

Detective Chief Inspector Dave Garwood, of the Metropolitan Police, said: "We are certain that someone knows who used the knife that killed Ben.

"We need to hear from them, for the sake of Ben's family and many friends."

Police have arrested 13 boys and one girl, aged from 14 to 16 and five young men.

They are all due back on police bail on August 8.

Anyone with information should telephone police on 020 8721 4961 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.





Women seeking men

BUBBLY single mum, 25, 5'5", brown hair/green eyes, chef, likes cinema, clubbing, meals out, socialising, seeks caring male, 25-38, for a loving relationship. Ashford. Box 403593

ATTRACTIVE female, 28, 5'8", brown hair/blue eyes, enjoys the gym, cinema, dancing, seeking honest male, 26-38, with a GSOH, for friendship, possible LTR. Box 410494 P

BEAUTIFUL, black, curvy female, 30, WLTM honest, genuine man, for a relationship/more. Folkestone. Box 408865

TRACY 30, recently separated, enjoys going out, nights in, having fun, seeks male for friendship... Box 413958 P

KENT girl, 30, seeks charming, honest fella, to brighten up my life. Where are you? xx. Box 913305 P

RECENTLY separated female, 29, seeks humorous male, to bring the spark back to my life. Box 376148

CARING, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting relationship. Box 384013

FLIRTY 30yr old, have a wicked SOH, up for a laugh. I'm friendly, helpful and generally happy go lucky. I enjoy socialising, pubs/clubs, reading. Box 906611

HAPPY go lucky female, 32, 5'8", medium/cuddly build, into most things in life, looking for friendship and maybe more. Kent. Box 406412 P

SINGLE mum of 2, 32, would like to meet someone, kind, caring and considerate, for nights in/out and cinema. Box 406670

CREATIVE, happy, loving female, 32, 5ft, blonde/blue eyes, seeks kind, warm, sincere, patient male, with a car, to share my life with. Box 392354

SLIM lady, 33, blonde hair, brown eyes, 1 daughter, enjoys music, live bands, aerobics, salsa dancing, looking for a relationship with an honest, caring male. Box 420748

SINGLE mum, 33, 5'4", dark hair/blue eyes, enjoys staying in/going out and having a laugh, looking for male, for fun and maybe relationship. Box 416153

AFRICAN lady, 33, brown eyes, likes socialising, music, pubs, cinema, seeks male for friendship and more. Box 413128

HI, I'm 34 years old, 5'6, brunette, I love having a laugh and socialising, also enjoy watersports and love wearing my wetsuit!!!! Folkestone area. Box 906903 P

FUN, loving, attractive, kind hearted woman. 36 years young, single parent, looking for romance and good times. Box 909110 P

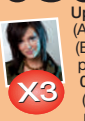
36YR old nurse, enjoys fun and laughter, travel, nights in/out, music, dancing, reading, theatre. Seeking man for company, maybe more. East Kent. Box 912176 P

HONEST, caring lady, attractive, from Tunbridge Wells, 37, hazel eyes, curvy, 5ft6, with a GSOH, many interests, clubs, cooking, cosy nights. Looking for stocky male, 35-45. Box 424364 P

DIVORCED lady, 38, 5ft2, dark hair/eyes, attractive, 3 kids, looking for a bubbly male, must love animals and countryside. Canterbury. Box 423949 P

HI, I'm Caroline, 38, friendly, bubbly, divorced, single mum of 3, non-smoker, likes pubs, clubs, cinema, eating in/out, WLTM like minded male, non-smoker, for love. Box 424275

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CHATTY female, 36, 5'4", single mum, blonde, slim, likes pubs, clubs, going out, having fun, seeks male, for fun nights out, giggles. Rochester. Box 372889 P

ATTRACTIVE, trendy, outgoing, warm female, 30, dark brown eyes are a big feature, curvy but slim, like country pubs etc, WLTM spontaneous male for LTR. Box 403299 P

CANTERBURY Belle (39) - wants to go to the ball, urgently requires Escort.... or Martin (of the Aston family)! Box 914894 P

DECENT 36yr old female, medium build, fair hair, 5'6", likes cinema, eating & having fun, seeks like-minded male, 36-40, for friendship first. Box 739664

SINGLE mum of 3, (39yrs old), looking for a man to restore my faith in opposite sex! Believe life is for living. Deal area. Box 908671 P

ASHFORD female, 37, 5'7", dark eyes, GSOH, no ties, likes cosy nights in, socialising, country pubs, cinema, seeks loyal, caring male. Ashford. Box 152862

HI, I'm Joan, 39, 5'8", slim/med build, brown hair, green eyes, looking for male, with GSOH, for good times. Box 424732

HONEST, tactile woman, 40, romantic and hard working. I'm a single parent, hard-working and enjoy walks, dining out, good wine, and conversation. WLTM similar male. Box 423953

FEMALE, 40, 5ft9, brown hair/eyes, mum of 3. My interests are swimming and walking and I'm looking for male to share life's ups & downs. Box 419049

FRIENDLY lady, 42, young at heart, likes pubs and much more, looking for a honest, trustworthy man, who I can have a laugh with. Ashford. Box 424017

BUBBLY, confident woman, 43, divorced but not hung up about it. Size 18, happy in my skin, WLTM genuine man with a love for life, GSOH. Box 915292 P

KIND female, 45, blonde hair, blue eyes, looking for loving male to share life with. Like restaurants, dancing, meals out etc. Box 419227

TALL, kind woman, 44, likes travel, going out, socialising and going to church, looking for a caring man, 45-50, loving, honest, N/S. Margate. Box 423495

45 year old lady, love reading, cooking, going out and about, looking for a fun male, with similar interests. Tonbridge. Box 425239

GENUINE, down to earth female, 45, 5ft7, brown hair, slim/medium build, likes staying in, going out, seeks easygoing male, for friendship and more. Box 425304

BLUE eyed, red head, 44, 5'2", enjoy pubs, clubs, cinema, singing, walking, theatre, seeks male 40-50 for friendship, maybe more. Box 913919 P

FRIENDLY, bubbly, fun-loving woman, 45, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, pubs, music, eating in/out, own home/car, smoker, looking for honest man 44-55, who enjoys life. Box 823441 P

SUE, 46, brown hair, baby blue eyes, own house, enjoys diy, country walks, eating in/out, looking for fun, friendship and maybe more. Canterbury. Box 905853

FIT, attractive, youthful single mum, 46, own home/car, lives/works in Folkestone, likes swimming, keep-fit, music and reading. Seeks a caring man-friend in my life. Box 927635

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ATTRACTIVE, blonde woman, 5'4", 49, enjoys the gym, cooking, cinema, theatre, travel and restaurants, seeks male for friendship. Box 388091 P

FEMALE, 51, 5'6", attractive, redhead, green eyes, seeking professional, male soulmate, 45-55. West Kent. Box 477686

LIVELY, understanding female, 51, large build, WLTM genuine, loving male, 46-58, for lasting, loving relationship. Faversham. Box 399271

YOUNG 53yr old N/S, own house/car, dark hair/eyes, loves cooking, gardening, country pubs, WLTM reliable, genuine, tactile man, 45-60 for LTR. Box 425508

54YR old female, slim, blue eyes, blonde hair, likes theatre, music, country walking, nights in and out, seeks loving, caring male, loving relationship. Box 425107

HI, I'm Wendy, 55, sincere, slim, attractive, GSOH, likes countryside, walking, eating in and out, WLTM, warm, caring, sincere male, with GSOH, for friendship/companionship. Box 421201

BUBBLY, outgoing female, 54, likes pubs, walks, horse riding, country life, seeks genuine gentleman, 48-52, for companionship. friendship, possible LTR. Box 386913

ATTRACTIVE, homely, caring 55yr old lady, 5'2", slim/medium build, GSOH, good conversationalist, looking for special person to share life's ups and downs with. Faversham. Box 406928

SOLVENT, cuddly female, 59, 5'1", love the countryside, foreign travel, seeks happy, solvent male, 50s-62, for affection and TLC. Box 394179

Men seeking women

I'M a slightly shy but outgoing, caring, honest, genuine male. 5'11" dark hair/eyes with GSOH. Likes eating out, cinema, pubs and outdoor activities. Box 906991 P

KIND, gentle 29yr old male, GSOH, 5'9", likes going to gym, cinema and meals out. WLTM slender female for companionship. Box 917665 P

30YR old male, Ramsgate. I'm honest, hard-working, caring and I enjoy long walks, cosy nights in and the occasional night out, eating in/out, cinema/bowling. Box 906076 P

AFFECTIONATE male, 33, 5ft10, black hair, brown eyes, likes cinema, walking, cooking, socialising, seeks similar woman, 33-39, for friendship leading to hopefully more. Box 424570

SHY guy, 33, with brown hair/blue eyes, 5ft2. I enjoy countryside, days out, country pubs, horse riding. Seeking kind and slim female, N/S, 25-35. Box 425298

KIND, caring gent, 34, 5ft10, brown eyes, short hair, medium build, with a GSOH. I enjoy pubs, clubs, weekends away, holidays, nights in/out. Box 425334

GOOD-LOOKING male, 36, short spiky brown hair, likes dancing, socialising, films, WLTM nice, loyal, honest female, 30-42, for a relationship. Maidstone. Box 401597 P

MARGATE man, 37, 6ft3, dark hair, nice big build. I work in residential care which I love. I'm down-to-earth, kind, tactile, with a GSOH. Box 423437 P

ATHLETIC guy, 38, black hair, looking for a sweet girl, for fun and laughter and maybe more. Tonbridge. Box 425268

TRENDY, fun-loving, professional male, 37, 5'11", brown hair, into motor sports, clubs, pubs, eating out. lots of tlc to give the right lady. Box 394465

PETER, 38, 5ft11, slim, enjoys music, cinema, dancing, restaurants, seeking loving female, for friendship leading to more. Chatham. Box 425364 P

I'M a newly single man just restarting life again after 22years in the navy wishing to find someone to spend my spare time with Maidstone. Box 912521 P

EASYGOING gent, 40, 5ft10, with brown hair/green eyes, muscular build. I like the gym, quiet nights in, cinema, pubs, clubs. Looking for friendship, maybe more. Box 425213 P

SOCIABLE male, 5ft8, medium build, dark hair, brown eyes, enjoys pubs, clubs, cinema, days out, quite evenings in with good meal. Westgate-on-sea. Box 906517

STEADY male, 41, medium build, 5'9", dark hair/green eyes, enjoys all the good things in life, seeks female, for friendship, possibly more. Box 387704

DOWN-TO-EARTH, easy-going, outgoing bloke, 42, green eyes, looking for a genuine relationship, with someone with a GSOH, to share various interests with. Box 425418 P

SLIM male, 42, 5ft11, genuine, reliable, N/S, likes all the usual things in life, WLTM genuine, down-to-earth lady, for friendship, dates, relationship. Gillingham area. Box 425419 P

HI, I'm Aaron, 46, brown eyes, shave head, likes music, pubs, seeks female, for friendship, possible romance. Box 425212

GENUINE man, 45, 6", fair hair, green eyes, fairly fit and looking for some-one special to love and laughter. Kent. Box 912439 P

I'M 48, 5ft6, slim, 10 stone, brown going grey hair, like swimming, cycling, coast walks, driving, snooker/pool, looking for someone with similar interests, age/size/looks not important. Box 425157

THOUGHTFUL, young 49yr old male, N/S, blue eyes, 5ft10. I'm solvent and looking for an honest, reliable lady for friendship, hopefully leading to relationship. Rochester. Box 907193 P

HARD-WORKING male 49, 5'7", short hair, brown eyes, medium build, likes cycling, dining out, pubs, clubs, seeks slim female, for friendship and more. Box 342591 P

DIVORCED male, 50, loves the outdoors, country pubs, swimming, gardening, theatre, seeks N/S, honest lady to share good times with. Box 425503

DIVORCED male, 50, 6ft, likes outdoors, country pubs, cinema, theatre, walks, looking for a honest lady, to enjoy life with. Margate. Box 425504

KIND male, 50, 5ft11, slim, N/S, 2 boys (19&16), likes eating out, visiting London, weekends!!! Looking for kind, caring lady. Looks not important. Box 425308 P

AFRICAN male, 50s, 5ft9, professional, varied interests, seeks loyal female, 45-55 for love and romance. Box 425384

Men seeking men

ROMANTIC, down 2 earth male, 38, 5'4", brown hair, green eyes, looking for someone nice, affectionate & genuine. Kent. Box 404618

I'M Paul, 40, genuine, down-2-earth, 5'9", GSOH, brown hair, blue eyes, average build, like movies, diy, theatre, keeping fit, travelling, looking for young male, non-smoker. Box 423252 P

Women seeking women

ATTRACTIVE, feminine female, 37, petite, professional, thoughtful, witty, enjoys socialising, travel, dancing, seeks similar, genuine female, for friendship/relationship. Rochester. Box 411186

I'M 50, blonde/brown eyes, scrub up ok! I'm easygoing and enjoy the countryside, walking, pets and life in general! Box 420392 P



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She said: "The campus is a beacon of what the Thames Gateway is all about – increasing aspiration and providing new opportunities to learn and become the best."

Next stage of the expansion plans is the £1.5 million development of the Rochester Building which will provide conference and meeting rooms, plus social facilities for students.

Clearing the way to a much brighter future

NOT doing as well as expected in your A-levels is not always the end of the road, as star student Jessica Lomas has proved.

Her results were not up to the mark, but that didn't stop education chiefs at the University of Kent at Medway from taking her on.

And now the 21-year-old has gained first-class honours in her social sciences degree course, and has taken a big step forward in her career by landing a position as a senior research assistant with the market research firm Harris Interactive.

Miss Lomas said she was

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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bitterly disappointed three years ago when her results failed to hit the mark. Her grades in Psychology (B), History (C) and Maths (D) fell slightly short of expectations – and worse was to come when her top two university choices did not accept her for her first choice subject, psychology.

She said: "I was devastated. I hadn't even considered not getting in and I began to panic. I had also been kept waiting.

"It was nearly two weeks after A-level results when I finally received an answer of 'no' from my first choice university, so it was quite late in the day for me to be finding another course."



SUCCESS: Jessica Lomas, 21

So she looked at alternative courses listed on the UCAS website which also showed how the clearing system works.

She soon spotted the social sciences degree programme at Medway.

Jessica said: "I saw I could specialise in psychology during my second and third years, so given my interests it began to seem like the ideal course.

"Although I hadn't ever imagined myself in a position to go through clearing, I found the process was nice and straightforward.

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"I was absolutely thrilled to achieve first-class honours, which gave a very happy ending to a story that had begun with disappointment after A-levels."

Her advice to students using clearing this year is simple. She said: "Don't panic and don't choose a course just because there are places available.

"Do as much research as you can, so that you can find the right place for you.

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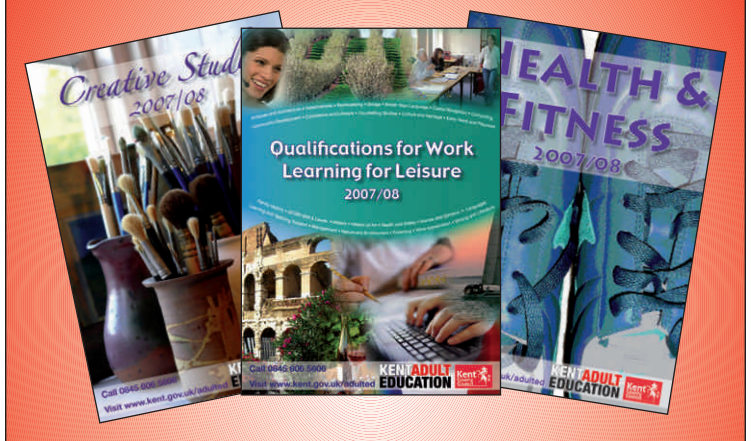
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Your role will initially be to publicise the launch of our new products in September by handing out leaflets, and encouraging people to join the online services, you will also be helping local children's charities, as for every registration we receive we will be giving £1.

During, and after the launch of these products, further work will be available handing out the newspapers at strategic points in all main towns, and delivering to businesses in that area. This will predominantly be starting early morning on Wednesdays.

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If you are interested, and would like a job description, please contact: Barbara Coker on 01303 817072 or apply in writing to Barbara Coker, Marketing and Distribution Manager, KOS Media Ltd, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR or email: barbara.coker@kosmedia.co.uk

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To apply, please send your CV, quoting the appropriate reference, to Debbie Read, Assistant Personnel Manager Supply Chain, Waitrose Ltd, Taylor House, Southern Industrial Area, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 8YA. Closing date: 25th August 2007.

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Kieran Carne, IT Department, MotorSport Vision Limited, Brands Hatch Circuit, Fawkham, Longfield, Kent DA3 8NG or email kieran.carne@motorsportvision.co.uk

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Closing date is Monday 13 August, 2007. Interviews will be held shortly after. Should you require any further information please contact the school office on 01474 533802 Ext 202.

Student Records Office, Academic Division | **Ref: 361**

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For an informal discussion about the post contact Paul Sales, Administrative Assistant (Student Records Office), on 01227 827786.

Further particulars are available from the Personnel Office on 01227 827837 (24 hours) or from our website www.kent.ac.uk/jobs/ Text phone users please telephone 01227 824145. Please quote the reference number.

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Closing date: 10 August 2007.

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Kent County Council

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You will have experience of working within Education or other Children's Services and extensive experience of working in a multi-agency environment.

You will have experience of managing complex projects and knowledge of attracting and monitoring funding to ensure future sustainability.

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For an informal discussion, please contact Sally Williamson on 01622 696680 or sally.williamson@kent.gov.uk

Closing date: 15 August 2007. Provisional interview date: 23 August 2007.

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Part-time 32.5 hours per week, term-time only
Ref: CFE/07/258

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Ref: CFE/07/259

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These posts are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For an informal discussion, please contact Sue Sherbourne on 07919 414558.

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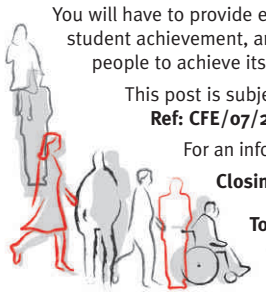
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For further information or an informal discussion, please contact Lisa Watson, Policy and Projects Manager on 01474 337815 or by email to lisa.watson@gravesham.gov.uk **Ref: PSO/LQW**

Closing date: 10 August 2007.

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COMPANY:
Howletts Wild Animal Park
Port Lympne Wild Animal Park is looking to recruit an experienced administration assistant to work 32 hours a week in a small but busy office. The job role involves reception duties, manning the switchboard and a range of general administration duties. Candidates must have previous experience working in a general administration role with good organizational skills and the ability to prioritize your own workload. You will need a good working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Office, Excel and Outlook. Excellent people skills and a good telephone manner are essential. Normally required to work 9:00am-5:00pm Monday - Thursday, however working hours need to be flexible as you will be required to provide holiday/sickness cover on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays as necessary. Please send CV with covering letter explaining why you want the job to: HR & Training Manager, Port Lympne Wild Animal Park, Port Lympne Nr. Hythe. Kent CT21 4PD.
TO APPLY:
HR & Training Manager,
Howletts Wild Animal Park
Email personnel@howletts.net

JOB TITLE:
Administrator/Personal Assistant
LOCATION:
Tonbridge
SALARY:
Negotiable
COMPANY:
Anthony Rowcliffe
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son ltd are a successful and established family run importers and distributors of quality cheese and charcuterie products who supply a variety of retailers across the UK, Ireland and Channel Islands and are based in Paddock Wood. We are currently looking for an experienced, energetic and creative PA/Administrator to assist the Sales Director and Group Account Controller with the day to day administration and communication to our clients. Excellent communication skills, knowledge of all Microsoft software (Word, Excel PowerPoint and Access) and administration skills are essential. This role is varied and interesting and duties will include daily communication with the sales reps, updating and maintaining company website, organisation of diaries and travel arrangements, processing orders for keys accounts, producing marketing information for our products and producing presentations for the Sales Director and Group Account Controller. This role will also involve some travel to visit clients and food exhibitions. The ideal candidate will be friendly, easy going and a team player with a proactive attitude. To apply for this position please email your CV (with the job title in the subject heading) to gemmabradley@rowcliffe.co.uk with your salary expectations.
TO APPLY:
Gemma Bradley
Anthony Rowcliffe
Email
gemmabradley@rowcliffe.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
30th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Clerical Assistant (Maternity Cover)
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£15,727 - £17,636 pa (pay award pending)
COMPANY:
University of Kent
The Student Records Office requires a self-motivated and organised Clerical Assistant to join our team to cover a 13 month period of maternity leave from 1 September 2007 – 30 September 2008. You will be responsible for supporting the creation, updating and validation of student computer records on the student database. In addition the role has a strong customer-focus, including providing cover for the Student Reception area in the Registry building. You should have a good standard of education, minimum 5 GCSEs or equivalent, have successfully completed the ECDL or similar and proven reception or office experience. You must also demonstrate a commitment to first-rate customer service and have excellent team-work and communication skills. For an informal discussion about the post contact Paul Sales, Administrative Assistant (Student Records Office), on 01227 827786. Further particulars are available from the Personnel Office on 01227 827837 (24 hours) or from our website www.kent.ac.uk/jobs/ Text phone users please telephone 01227 824145.
TO APPLY:
Paul Sales
University of Kent
Tel: 01227 827786
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
6th August 2007

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AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Tree Surgeon/Climber
LOCATION:
Bromley
SALARY:
£30K per annum plus private health care
COMPANY:
J.C.Landscapes
All relevant NPTC certificates. Clean driving licence. Permanent position in the Bromley area.
TO APPLY:
Jim Cavie
J.C.Landscapes
Tel: 01689 811833
Email jim@jclandscapesltd.co.uk

CATERING, HOSPITALITY

JOB TITLE:
Food Service Assistant
LOCATION:
Tunbridge Wells
SALARY:
£6.27
COMPANY:
Elizabeth Finn Homes
A leading Care Home company, which runs 10 award winning nursing and residential Homes across the country, is seeking to appoint Bank, food service assistants to cover for staff holidays and days off, in its attractive and very well equipped 50 bed home in Tunbridge Wells. Work involves serving breakfast, lunch & supper over seven days. Interaction with elderly residents is necessary , therfore good communication skills are also required. Shifts will be available for weekend & weekdays as required. Experience not required as full training will be given to successful candidates
TO APPLY:
Nikki Tucker
Elizabeth Finn Homes
Tel: 01892 525909
Email nikki.tucker@efhl.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Trainee Chef
LOCATION:
MARGATE
SALARY:
circa £10,000 per annum.
COMPANY:
Thanet Leisure Force
Trainee Chef Winter Gardens, Margate 35 hours per week Circa £10,000 per annum. Fully funded training. The role: Thanet Leisureforce currently seek a Trainee Chef based at the Winter Gardens to support the current catering team. We seek an individual with previous kitchen experience to undertake the role of Trainee Chef whilst formalising their qualifications through a day-release programme at Thanet College. (Day release hours are not included in the 35 hours per week). The Successful Candidate: • Applicants must have previous catering experience and be keen to develop their skills • Applicants must be motivated to learn and willing to undertake periods of study on a weekly basis to attain NVQ/City and Guilds qualifications. • Applicants must have a flexible approach to work as Weekend and evening work will be a regular occurrence Interested? External Applications: Please contact Kay House on 227959 for an external application form. Online Applications: Or download the application form from 'www.leisureforce.co.uk' and return via e-mail to 'recruitment@leisureforce.co.uk'.
TO APPLY:
Sam Rose
Thanet Leisure Force
Tel: 01843 227959
Email recruitment@leisureforce.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
10th August 07

CHILD CARE

JOB TITLE:
After School Club Deputy Supervisor
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£6.50 ph
COMPANY:
Thanet Early Years Project
Thanet Early Years Project Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club, Salmestone School, Margate Deputy Supervisor – 13.75 hours per week term time only We are looking to recruit a Deputy Supervisor at Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club which is based at Salmestone School, Margate. Qualified to at least level 3 in childcare, you will supervise the running of the holiday club in the absence of the Manager. You should have experience of working with children in a childcare setting, be motivated, enthusiastic and possess a good sense of humour, in order to provide a high quality play environment for children attending the out of school club. You should be experienced in planning and organising staffing schedules, willing to take responsibility in the absence of the supervisor for day to day organisation of the setting, and have a clear understanding of the National Standards for Out of School Care and the KCC Safeguarding Children policy. If you are interested in this role, please contact Carina Harrison, Fuzzy Frogs Manager on 07999592263 You can request an application form and job description from Maria at Thanet Early Years by telephone on 01843 591200 or by email maria@thanetearlyyears.org. Interviews to be held in the week commencing 27th August 2007. All appointments are subject to full enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks.
TO APPLY:
Maria Knight
Thanet Early Years Project
Tel: 01843 591200
Email maria@thanetearlyyears.org
CLOSING DATE
15th August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Residential Support Workerschild Care
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
£11.5 k to £19.5k pa
COMPANY:
Bene Care
We are a new residential childcare Companyestablishing a Children's Home in East Kent. We are looking for colleagues who can grow with us to provide exceptional quality care for children and young people. You are a committed Residential Social Care Professional able to deal constructively with challenges set by children and young people between the ages of 8 - 18 in a care home setting. QUALIFICATIONS: NVQ 3 is preferable. However Training will be provided for applicants with evident potential and / or relevant experience.
TO APPLY:
Bene Care
Tel: 01227 369089
Email info@benecareltd.co.uk

CONSTRUCTION, ARCHITECTURE, SURVEYORS

JOB TITLE:
Contracts Surveyors
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
T.B.A.
COMPANY:
GSE Group
Due to continued expansion of Ashford based GSE Group, GSE Design & Build Ltd require a Contracts Surveyor for projects in Kent for both Traditional and Design & Build contracts. The successful candidate should be experienced, self-motivated, enthusiastic and will be expected to appoint sub contractors, produce monthly valuations and final accounts. Please telephone Karen Burton for an application form.
TO APPLY:
Karen Burton
GSE Group
Tel: 01233 506327
Email karen.burton@gse-group.com

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Administrator
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Negotiable
COMPANY:
GSE Group
Experienced and highly organised Administrator required to work four days per week for Development Company based in Ashford. Must be fully competent using Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook. Duties will include secretarial support, day to day administration, project research and liaison with various agencies. This position is initially to cover a minimum of six months Maternity Leave, starting 13th August 2007. Please submit CV by post or e-mail to Mrs. Sue Barlow, GSE Group HR Manager, Joshna House, Crowbridge Road, Ashford, Kent TN24 0GR or sue.barlow@gse-group.com. Closing date for applications is 3rd August.
TO APPLY:
Sue Barlow
GSE Group
Tel: 01233 501301
Email sue.barlow@gse-group.com

JOB TITLE:
Project Manager
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
£neg + benefits package
COMPANY:
HANSA GWS
At Hansa-GWS not all our projects are quite so frenetic – but all carry the aspirations of our customers. Sainsburys, Tesco, Waitrose, Wilkinson, Homebase – all expecting the Team here in Gravesend to deliver store fit-out programmes in the most competitive, accurate and timely manner. The quality of your delivery will be an integral part of our retail account strategy – your ability to provide solutions to schedule, to budget and with exceptional customer service will be undeniable. The scope of your involvement will be from initial order to project completion and you will play an influential and important role in our account development. Excellent project management skills are required ideally supported by experience to run a mix of refits, rollouts, new stores and checkout installations programmes. You must be ambitious, self-motivated and computer literate in Microsoft products. You may be from an operational retail role with transferable skills or from retail construction/project management background. Attractive benefits package: Fully Expensed Company Car, 6% Non Contributory Pension Scheme, Private Healthcare, Life Insurance and 25 days holiday.
TO APPLY:
Emma Coomber
HANSA GWS
Tel: 01474 54 65 13
Email emma.coomber@hansa-gws.eu

JOB TITLE:
SITE AGENTS
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
GSE Group
Due to continued expansion of Ashford based GSE Group, GSE Design & Build Ltd require SITE AGENTS for projects in Kent for both Traditional and Design & Build contracts. Please telephone Karen Burton for an application form.
TO APPLY:
Karen Burton
GSE Group
Tel: 01233 506327
Email karen.burton@gse-group.com

CUSTOMER SERVICE, CALL CENTRE

JOB TITLE:
Customer Care Manager
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
Starting salary £29,190 with progression through
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
St Peters House, Broadstairs Take charge of the leading component of our interface with the public. New regulations mean we have to sharpen our Complaints procedure. But learning from Complaints is just the first stage in putting customers at the heart of the Directorate's commissioning process. Beyond that we want to develop public involvement in the wider sense of enabling present/future users and carers to participate in our planning process and promote social inclusion and community regeneration. If you have relevant experience in the public or private or voluntary sector and have the intellectual ability, emotional intelligence, and determination to make a difference in this vital role, then we want to hear from you. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure application to the Criminal Records Bureau. We are committed to service user and carer involvement and seek to involve service users and carers in our recruitment processes.
TO APPLY:
John Barnes
Kent County Council
Tel: 01843 860000
Email john.barnes@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
3rd August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Sales, Customer Service and Claims
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£13-16k OTE
COMPANY:
Saga
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TO APPLY:
Saga
Email human.resources@saga.co.uk

DOMESTIC

JOB TITLE:
3 Cleaning Operatives required.
LOCATION:
Cranbrook
SALARY:
£6.50 per hour.
COMPANY:
Regular Cleaning Services
2.5 hours per day, Monday - Friday. Contact 07949 022865 or 020 8690 4488
TO APPLY:
Regular Cleaning Services
Tel: Contact 07949 022865 or 020 8690 4488
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Housekeeper /Personal Carer
LOCATION:
Hythe
SALARY:
£15,600 p.a
COMPANY:
Nick Harding
44 hrs over 4 days pw, £15,600 p.a Duties: Housekeeper, Cooking, Driving & Carer
TO APPLY:
Nick Harding
Tel: 07738312030
Email
Nicholas.Harding@uk.fidintl.com

EDUCATION, TEACHER, SCHOOL

JOB TITLE:
Aim Higher Mentor
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
Kent Scheme 5 £15,903 pro rata
COMPANY:
South Maidstone Federation
37 hours a week, term time only NLL Oldborough require you to inspire, motivate and challenge Year 10 and Year 11 students in order to widen participation of young people into higher education. You will have an understanding of challenging students needs and barriers to learning and act as a role model, mentor and advocate. Applicants must be effective communicators, able to maintain relationships with individuals in an educational context, encouraging them to realise their potential. This role is a fixed term contract to 31st August 2008. Please complete an application form. Forms can be downloaded from www.newlinelearning.com
TO APPLY:
Charlotte Grindley
South Maidstone Federation
Tel: 01622 743152
Email charlotte.grindley @newlinelearning.com

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JOB TITLE:
Full Time Trainer/Assessor
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
IRO £18,000 - £20,000 (with bonuses)
COMPANY:
Davidson Training UK Ltd
To assess Customer Service, retail & administration. Travel Expenses paid.
TO APPLY:
Mandy Watts
Davidson Training UK Ltd
Tel: 01474 335170
Email
suewilliams@davidsontraining.com

JOB TITLE:
Geography Teacher
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main/Upper
COMPANY:
Chatham South School
Full time and Permanent
TO APPLY:
Mr Vincent O'Mara
Chatham South School
Tel: 01634 404277
Email headteacher @chathamsouth.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
21st August 2007

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JOB TITLE:
KS1 and KS 2 Teacher
LOCATION:
Rainham
SALARY:
Mainscale
COMPANY:
Miers Court Primary School
Full time and Permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs Sue Patterson
Miers Court Primary School
Tel: 01634 388943
Email enquiries@mierscourt.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
10th August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Music Teacher
LOCATION:
Rainham
SALARY:
Main payscale
COMPANY:
Rainham School for Girls
Full Time and Permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs J Dunn
Rainham School for Girls
Tel: 01634 362746
Email admin@rsg.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
30 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Pastoral Support Team Member
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Kent Scheme 4-5 (£15,440 - £17,842) pro rata
COMPANY:
Northfleet Technology College
37 hours per week/38 weeks per year (term-time only) We are seeking two confident individuals who are interested in working with students and teachers to develop better learning opportunities at this forward thinking secondary school. NTC has developed this role, to enable teachers to concentrate on classroom teaching. You will support management systems within the school to maintain high levels of behaviour and attendance. Ideally, you will have experience of working effectively with young people, of all abilities, and a background in the public service sector would be advantageous. Please apply by sending a letter of application, together with a Curriculum Vitae, to Mr J How, Deputy Headteacher,
TO APPLY:
Northfleet Technology College
Tel: 01474 533802 Ext 202.
Email office@ntc.kent.sch.uk.
CLOSING DATE
13th August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Science Teacher
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main/Upper
COMPANY:
Chatham South School
Full time and Permanent
TO APPLY:
Mr Vincent O'Mara
Chatham South School
Tel: 01634 404277
Email headteacher @chathamsouth.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
21st August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teachers
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
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COMPANY:
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ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, UTILITIES

JOB TITLE:
Fully Qualified Electrician
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Cloake's Ltd
16th Edition/2391 Qualifications. Capable of working on own initiative and able to run contract works. Experience in Commercial & Industrial type installations is key to this role. Employed Role/Competitive Package. Benefits: Company Van, Uniform, Mobile Phone, Pension, Holiday Package & Sick Pay. email/send your CV to: The Old Granary, Hanover Mill, Mersham, Kent TN25 6NU
TO APPLY:
David Cloake
Cloake's Ltd
Tel: 01233 720 970
Email Sales@cloakesltd.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Maintenance Engineers
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
Salary circa £27KCOMPANY:
CdMR - Dartford Ltd
Reporting to the Mechanical Engineering Manager you will be a part of a multiskilled workforce primarily maintaining and repairing our fleet of port equipment including RoRo Tractors, Reachstackers, Forklift trucks, Gantry Cranes and associated equipment along with the terminal infrastructure. Applicants should ideally be familiar with all aspects of mechanical and/or electrical engineering associated to the port industry and will have served a recognised apprenticeship, however consideration will be given to engineers who can demonstrate a willingness to undertake training and expand their skills and knowledge. Applicants should hold a current driving licence, have a high degree of flexibility and be willing to work a shift roster that includes weekend and night work. In return the company provides rostered days off during the week. Should you feel that you are ready to undertake the challenge in a busy and friendly environment please contact the Human Resources Department for an application form.
TO APPLY:
Human Resources
CdMR - Dartford Ltd
Tel: 01322 283800/3809
Email lisa.collison@cdmr.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
6th August 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Technical Repair Engineer
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
£16-20K
COMPANY:
Hawk-Woods
Technical Repair Engineer Hawk-Woods is a small friendly manufacturing company based in Ashford, Kent. We specialise in the production of batteries, chargers and adaptors for the Film & TV industry. We are currently seeking an experienced individual to carry out repairs at a component level to our manufactured equipment. The role would involve dealing with customer enquiries on a daily basis, whilst managing the repairs section of the Hawk-Woods business. An excellent telephone manner and good organisational skills are essential qualities for the successful candidate. Working 39 hours a week. Salary: £16,000 to £20,000 To apply for this position, please email a copy of your current CV to; vacancies@hawkwoods.com Alternatively you can post it marking for the attention of Brian Woodford to; Hawk-Woods Briscall House Kingsnorth Industrial Estate Ashford Kent TN23 6LN
TO APPLY:
Brian Woodford
Hawk-Woods
Tel: 01233 638 715
Email vacancies@hawkwoods.com

JOB TITLE:
Workshop Engineer
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
Salary negotiable.
COMPANY:
LMS Ltd
We are a laboratory instrument manufacturer based in Sevenoaks. We have a vacancy for a self-motivated and practical person to fill a position for an assembly/fabricator. Applicants should be flexible and have basic practical electro-mechanical skills. Full training will be given.
TO APPLY:
LMS Ltd
Tel: 01732 743901
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

ESTATE AGENCY, PROPERTY

JOB TITLE:
New Homes Sales Professionals
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Halifax Land
As a result of numerous new and impending instructions to market major developments across the South of England, Halifax New Homes have a wide range of opportunities for Full, Part-time and Casual roles available in Kent and Sussex with one of the South's leading New Homes Specialists. Please forward C.V. and relevant details to Linda Tipping at Halifax Land & New Homes, Second Floor, 28 – 30 High Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1XB or email your CV.
TO APPLY:
Linda Tipping
Halifax Land
Tel: 01892 533432
Email lindatipping@halifax.co.uk

INDUSTRIAL, WAREHOUSE, FACTORY

JOB TITLE:
Casual General Operatives
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Sargents Ltd
Based at Belvedere and client sites in London Reporting to Operations Manager, the successful applicants will be self motivated, hard working and able to lift 17kgs. Previous Warehouse/Relocation experience preferred but not essential. Uniform and training provided.
TO APPLY:
Sargents Ltd
Tel: 07801 646169
Email jacquelinenewman@sargents.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Removal Supervisors
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Between £20,000 and £35,000
COMPANY:
Sargents Ltd
Due to increased business commitments we are looking for experienced removal supervisors. per annum, including overtime. We are looking for applicants who have the following: • Supervisory experience within the Removal industry essential. • High standard of communication skills. • The ability to problem solve • Customer facing skills. Please forward your CV to: Brad Read, General Manager - Operations, Sargents Ltd, Fordgate Business Park, Crabtree Manorway North, Belvedere, Kent DA17 6AS
TO APPLY:
Sargents Ltd
Email jacquelinenewman@sargents.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Production / Inspection Worker
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Up to £14,500
COMPANY:
Hawk-Woods
Hawk-Woods is a small friendly manufacturing company based in Ashford, Kent. We specialise in the production of batteries, chargers and adaptors for the Film & TV industry. Due to an increased workload we currently have a vacancy for an experienced Production Worker. The successful applicant will be part of an assembling team responsible for producing Hawk-Woods high quality range of equipment and carrying out low level test inspections. Applicants should be enthusiastic with a proven track record in production type work, having at least 2 years experience. Familiarity with wiring & light mechanical assembly and PCB assembly is a necessity. Full training will be given in the inspection elements of the role. Working 39 hours a week. Salary: Up to £14,500. To apply for this position, please email a copy of your current CV to; vacancies@hawkwoods.com Alternativley you can post it marking for the attention of Brian Woodford to; Hawk-Woods Briscall House Kingsnorth Industrial Estate Ashford Kent TN23 6LN
TO APPLY:
Brian Woodford
Hawk-Woods
Tel: 01233 638 715
Email vacancies@hawkwoods.com

INFORMATION TECH, INTERNET, TELECOMS

JOB TITLE:
Internet Manager
LOCATION:
LongField
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
MotorSport Vision Ltd
We are looking for an Internet Manager to take our online presence to the next level and provide a best-in-class service to our users and customers. The role will involve planning and prioritising development schedules to the web developer and undertaking some of these tasks. This role will be a mentor and supervisor for the incumbent web developer. The successful candidate will be a self-starter, who can work without supervision with the ability to use their own ideas and skills. Their previous roles will demonstrate attention to detail and experience of managing a website or development environment for a public facing business. This is an ideal role for a technically advanced web developer or front-end designer looking to move into the management side of a website.
TO APPLY:
Kieran Carne
MotorSport Vision Ltd
Email kieran.carne @motorsportvision.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
IT Assistant
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Dog World
Ashford-based publisher is looking for an IT Assistant to support the Operations Manager. Ideally you'll have experience of, or eagerness to learn, the following: Mac OS X,Windows XP, Office Suite, HTML, CSS, PHP and MySQL.Training will be provided on server maintenance, email systems, website development and software/hardware support. Experience of design packages and a keen eye for detail would be advantageous as the position will involve some graphical work. Good communication skills are essential. This position will become effective immediately. Location: Ashford, Kent Salary: Please specify salary expectation Hours: Monday - Friday 8.45am - 5.00pm. Holidays: 5 weeks per annum Benefits: BUPA, Pension, Employee Assistance Programme Please send CV to: Deborah Clark, Administration Manager, Dog World Limited, Somerfield House,Wotton Road, Ashford, Kent TN23 6LW or email: debbie.clark@dogworld.co.uk
TO APPLY:
Deborah Clark
Dog World
Email debbie.clark@dogworld.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
IT Support Analyst
LOCATION:
LongField
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
MotorSport Vision Ltd
Based at Brands Hatch, we are looking for an IT Support Analyst who will be responsible for IT support (1st ~ 3rd line) across the MotorSport Vision group. The role requires someone who is a good all rounder, a self-starter and can work without supervision using their own ideas to solve problems. Using a very broad and in-depth knowledge of IT hardware, software, systems and technologies you must use your extensive experience and in-depth knowledge of IT to provide quick and timely problem solving and support to staff. You will be required to complete basic Service Desk support, server fault finding and fixing, preventative maintenance and new software/hardware/component installations.
TO APPLY:
Kieran Carne
MotorSport Vision Ltd
Email kieran.carne @motorsportvision.co.uk

INSURANCE, BANKING, FINANCE

JOB TITLE:
Mortgage Advisors
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Mortgage Company
Experienced, fully CeMap qualified Mortgage Advisors are required to join our successful team. You will enjoy the benefit of working in a truly independent market for both mortgages and protection. The successful candidates will have a good understanding of the mortgage market and a proven track record in sales and first class customer care. The Mortgage Company is an expanding team If you are the person we are looking for, please send your CV to linda@tmckent.com or FAO: Linda Abu Saada, TMC, 21a Bank St, Ashford, Kent TN23 1DG
TO APPLY:
Linda Abu Saada
Mortgage Company
Email linda@tmckent.com

JOB TITLE:
Sales Progressors Administrators
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Mortgage Company
The Successful candidates will be enthusiastic, target driven and preferably have experience or good knowledge of the mortgage, conveyancing and life insurance process although this is not essential as full training will be provided. If you are the person we are looking for, please send your CV to linda@tmckent.com or FAO: Linda Abu Saada, TMC, 21a Bank St, Ashford, Kent TN23 1DG
TO APPLY:
Linda Abu Saada
Mortgage Company
Email linda@tmckent.com

MANAGEMENT, SENIOR POSITIONS

JOB TITLE:
Accommodation Site Manager
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£19,841 to £21,682 per annum plus on call allowance
COMPANY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
The University has a wide range of student accommodation housing some 1,500 students in either self-catering flats or in catered halls. The accommodation is spread over different sites, both on and off campus, in Canterbury and during vacations is available for conferences and commercial letting. Reporting to the Senior Accommodation Site Manager you will maintain and develop a level of service in your area of responsibility that will deliver the highest standards of comfort, cleaning and maintenance to meet the requirements and expectations of our student and business customers. With a higher education qualification in Housing/Facilities/Hospitality Management (or equivalent) or relevant experience you will be able to organise and plan work independently and effectively. You will have excellent communication and interpersonal skills and manage the performance of staff and contractors encouraging them to provide excellent customer service.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
Tel: 01227 782475
Email hr@canterbury.ac.uk

MARKETING, ADVERTISING

JOB TITLE:
Business Link Advisers
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£35,000
COMPANY:
New Appointments Group
We would like to hear from you if you are seeking a new challenge, are interested in Kent and keen to see the County make the best of its business opportunities. You will possess a dynamic and enthusiastic approach to meeting priority objectives and enjoy making a difference. You will need sound business acumen gained from 'hands-on' experience. Excellent interpersonal and relationship-building skills are a must, along with a can-do attitude. For a remuneration package of around £35,000 we are looking for selfmotivated people to support and help Kent SMEs to measurably increase their performance by effectively diagnosing their needs, agreeing action plans and finding and then co ordinating the implementation of appropriate solutions. The company is an equal opportunities employer and all applications will be given equal consideration regardless of age, disability, ethnic or national origin, gender, race, religion or sexual orientation.
TO APPLY:
Marilyn Chidley
New Appointments Group
Tel: 01795 416612
Email M.Chidley @newappointmentsgroup.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
17th August 2007

MOTOR TRADE, DRIVER

JOB TITLE:
Delivery Driver/Warehouse Person
LOCATION:
Meopham
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Key Fasteners LTD
Key Fasteners is a dynamic logistic supply company based in Hodsoll Street, near Meopham. We are looking to recruit a delivery driver/warehouse person to join our small, friendly team. Previous delivery driving and warehouse experience is an advantage but not essential. We are looking for a cheerful, reliable person as the job involves customer contact. Hours are 8.30am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday. Must be over 21 years old due to van insurance and have full, clean driving licence. Salary negotiable depending on experience. Immediate start available. Send your CV to: Key Fasteners, Unit 4, Pettings Court Farm, Hodsoll St, Wrotham, Kent TN15 7LH
TO APPLY:
Key Fasteners LTD
Email enquiries@keyfasteners.co.uk

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01303 817040

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Technician
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Whitehouse Jeep Maidstone
As an experienced main dealer technician you will be fully skilled in all aspects of vehicle repairs and servicing, conversant with current diagnostic equipment, hold a full clean driving licence and be able to work as part of a dedicated and motivated team. Previous Jeep and Chrysler experience is not essential as a full training programme is in place. Please send your CV with a covering letter to Tim Collier, Service Manager, Whitehouse Crayford, Unit D, Acorn Industrial Estate, Crayford Road, Dartford DA1 4AL.
TO APPLY:
Tim Collier
Whitehouse Jeep Maidstone
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Service Advisor
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Baileys Nissan
Reply CV to: David Jackson, Service Manager Westminster Road, Vauxhall Ind. Est, Canterbury, Kent
TO APPLY:
David Jackson
Baileys Nissan
Tel: 01227 766777 Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Technician
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Northgate Alpha Romeo
We seek to recruit an experienced and highly motivated technician to be based at our busy Alfa Romeo dealership in Canterbury. The successful candidate will have skills and qualifications gained from a similar role in the industry, have a professional manner and understand the need for delivering excellent customer service at all times. If interested please apply with your full CV to Adrian Pile at: Northgate Garage (Canterbury) Ltd, Northgate, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1FW
TO APPLY:
Adrian Pile
Northgate Alpha Romeo
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Vehicle Technician
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Baileys Nissan
Reply CV to: David Jackson, Service Manager Westminster Road, Vauxhall Ind. Est, Canterbury, Kent
TO APPLY:
David Jackson
Baileys Nissan
Tel: 01227 766777
Email applications@kosmedia.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Assistant Cook
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
According to experience
COMPANY:
Grace Manor Nursing Home
Must have experience gained in a school or nursing home. To cook basic wholesome foods for approximately 60 residents. Must be capable of working in a team and willing to take charge in the Chefs absence. 35 Hours per week, 5 days out of 7, includes weekends. Salary according to experience.
TO APPLY:
Karen Ditch
Grace Manor Nursing Home
Tel: 01634 570230
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Care Staff
LOCATION:
Meopham
SALARY:
£5.75- £6.50 nvq2 £6.25 - £7.00
COMPANY:
Holywell Park Ltd
For friendly family run residential home in the MEOPHAM / WROTHAM area. We pride ourselves on giving a quality service Vacancies for day care and night care staff. Regular Training and NVQ training available, CRB required. Flexible hours available. bonus of 25p per hour after probation period, conditins apply.
TO APPLY:
Debbie O'Brien or Sharon Apps
Holywell Park Ltd
Tel: 01732 822215
Email holywellpark@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Clinical Adviser
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Equivalent to Band 6
COMPANY:
Adastra Software Ltd
As our business grows and develops there is a greater need for clinical input at all levels within the company. In order to fulfill this demand the clinical department now has a need to expand its team. This is an excellent opportunity for an individual who wants to develop their career in a new and challenging way. The post involves some travel to customer sites around the UK principally advising on Out of Hours clinical matters and all aspects of nurse prescribing. Current NMC registration together with experience in the Out of Hours or a Walk-in Centre environment is preferred. You will be an excellent organiser with good communication skills and a sound knowledge of Microsoft Office. For further information and role profile please visit our website.
TO APPLY:
Adastra Software Ltd
Email rosetta.tagg@adastra.com
CLOSING DATE
3rd August 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Full Time Dental Receptionist
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Marden Dental Surgery
The position involves making appointments, answering telephone calls, dealing with patients, general admin duties. Please use contact details below.
TO APPLY:
Nicola Verrall
Marden Dental Surgery
Tel: 01622 831556/07860 560051
Email
info@mardendentalsurgery.com

JOB TITLE:
Kitchen Assistant
LOCATION:
Meopham
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Holywell Park Ltd
family run residential home for the elderly require full time or part time Kitchen assistant. General kitchen duties, serving breakfast, lunch , supper with tea and coffee rounds. We pride ourselves on delivering a quality service to our clients. Experience prefered but full training will be given to the right applicant. CRB check required. shift time 8am to 2pm - 4pm to -8pm possible alternate weekends
TO APPLY:
Debbie O'Brien / Karen Walls
Holywell Park Ltd
Tel: 01732 822215
Email holywellpark@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Learning And Development Manager
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£31,000
COMPANY:
MCCH
We need to retain and grow our engaged and competent workforce to improve the lives of people with learning disabilities, autism or mental ill-health. Due to our continued expansion through successful tenders an exciting opportunity has arisen for you to lead on our people development strategy providing professional support to our senior management teams as they deliver excellent and innovative services in partnership with the people who use our services across London and the South East. You will therefore need: • Evidence you can add value and attract funding • The ability to design and deliver learning and development initiatives to meet statutory requirements and leadership and management development, succession planning and quality monitoring systems. • Knowledge of how to specify, manage and evaluate cultural change and consolidation projects whilst showing sound understanding of best practice and theory of organisational development as we take on new services. • To be professional, persuasive and customer focused involving service users with enthusiasm, commitment and confidence to work alongside the senior management team.
TO APPLY:
Marianne Drawater
MCCH
Tel: 01622 769161
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
21st August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Part Time Cleaner
LOCATION:
Meopham
SALARY:
£5.65 (for over 18)£6.35 wkends
COMPANY:
Holywell Park Ltd
Holywell Park Residential Care Home Requires 2 Part Time Cleaners. Shift Time 8am -1pm . General Cleaning Duties. Friendly Family Run Home In Hodsoll St Nr Meopham / Wrotham. For Application Form And Any Further Information Please Contact Us. Bonus Of 25p Per Hour Paid After Probationary Period, Conditions Apply.
TO APPLY:
Debbie Obrien - Karen Walls
Holywell Park Ltd
Tel: 01732 822215
Email
HOLYWELLPARK@AOL.COM

JOB TITLE:
Registered General Nurse
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Primecare Forensic Medical
You will become part of a highly skilled multi disciplinaryteam, which includes Nurse, Doctors and associated specialists. The successful candidate will have: - • A first level qualification • Self motivation and enthusiasm • Ability to deliver health education and promotion to young people/staff • And posses both personal and professional confidence • Sound Clinical knowledge • A valid NMC registration • One years post registration experience preferred but not essential • Additional training to enhance nursing and knowledge specific to the secure environment Due to the secure nature of this post, successful candidates will only be awarded a position subject to successful Home Office Security Clearance and an Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check. For an application pack please telephone 01634 842691 or e-mail sarah.mason@primecare.uk.net Closing date for all applications is 2 weeks from the date of this advertisement. Primecare is an equal opportunities Employer and operates a no Smoking policy www.primecare.uk.net
TO APPLY:
Primecare Forensic Medical
Tel: 01634 842691
Email
sarah.mason@primecare.uk.net

JOB TITLE:
Residential Support Workers
LOCATION:
London
SALARY:
£18,267 per annum
COMPANY:
Community Options
This role offers: • High quality training • Support and supervision to enable you to manage well in an environment that is stimulating, rewarding and challenging • A chance to participate in recovery and person centred work • The chance to be part of a committed and experienced team In return we are looking for: • Skills in engaging and motivating people • Communication skills • An understanding and interest in Mental Health • NVQ Level 2 or willingness to undertake an NVQ level 2 in Care For an application form contact us on: 020 8313 9725 or write to Community Options 40a Napier Road, Bromley BR2 9JA or visit our website: www.community-options.org.uk
TO APPLY:
Community Options
Tel: 020 8313 9725
Email kelly.hudson@community-options.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
8th August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Support Workers
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
MCCH
Full time (37 hrs), Maidstone area Ref 138/KoS Part time Maidstone area Ref 140/KoS Full time (37 hrs) (Part time hours may also be considered), Paddock Wood area Ref 139/KoS £13,601-£15,223 per annum (pro rata for part time posts) + enhancements * there is a location allowance for the posts based in the Paddock Wood area. We are looking for people who will support individuals with their daily living needs, to be part of their community and accessing community activities. Our service users enjoy a fulfilled life and it is a very rewarding and satisfying working environment. While we value experience, the right attitude is just as important and you may already have many of the skills needed from your personal life experiences. Full training will be provided in all aspects of these jobs including the opportunity to study for relevant NVQs. For an application form and job description, call our recruitment line on 01622 769109, quoting relevant reference number. We also have large type/Braille available on request. For more information and to apply online please visit our website at
TO APPLY:
MCCH
Tel: 01622 769109
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
10th August 2007

PUBLIC RELATIONS, MEDIA, JOURNALISM

JOB TITLE:
Account Director
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
D T W Vavasour
Highly competitive salaries and packages are available. If you are a PR professional looking for a change, visit www.dtwv.co.uk or email info@dtwv.co.uk with CV and covering letter.
TO APPLY:
D T W Vavasour
Email info@dtwv.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Account Manager
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
D T W Vavasour
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TO APPLY:
D T W Vavasour
Email info@dtwv.co.uk

PUBLIC SECTOR, SOCIAL SERVICES

JOB TITLE:
Day Programmes Service Co–Ordinator
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
£23,175 - £27,492 (SCP 29 - 35) (pay award pending)
COMPANY:
KCA (UK)
You will work in close collaboration with the Service Manager to ensure the efficient and effective running of the Day Programme Service within the locality.You will support the Service Manager in providing a structured day programme to DRR and Voluntary Service Users ensuring that the Day Programme fully meets its' contractual requirements. Responsibilities will include the planning and delivery of groups, the line management of staff ensuring that the day programmes are integrated within the locality and within the organisation.You will work closely with partner agencies within an agreed strategic framework.You should be committed to the principles and practice of equality of opportunity to service users and staff. You should have comprehensive experience within the drug & alcohol field, coupled with sound organisational skills, including the ability to plan and prioritise your own workload.You should have experience of working within a group work setting and be qualified to diploma level or hold a professional qualification within a relevant field. For an application form contact: KCA (UK) Dan House, 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT. Tel: 01795 590635, Fax: 01795 539351, email marina@kca.org.uk.
TO APPLY:
Linda Ranger
KCA (UK)
Tel: 01227 781 297
Email marina@kca.org.uk.
CLOSING DATE
3rd August 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Driver/Loader
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£16,659 to £21,417 p.a.
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
Plus a final salary contributory pension scheme 'Clean Kent' is a partnership between Kent County Council and the twelve District Councils in Kent whose task is to increase the perception that Kent is a clean county. Three high profile 'Clean Kent' cleansing units are being jointly funded to cover four district Council areas each within west Kent, mid-Kent and east Kent. You will be part of a two person team crewing one of these cleansing units. You will provide general and specialist cleansing services and other street scene duties within the environment in various locations throughout west Kent. The district areas covered comprise Dartford, Gravesham, Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells. You will report daily to KCC's Clean Kent Environmental Crime and Street Scene Manager and relevant District Cleansing Representatives to co-ordinate your cleansing and street scene duties. This post is based at Dunbrik Depot, Sundridge, but work requirements may dictate that the Clean Kent vehicle is parked overnight at another district council's depot in North or West Kent for periods of one or two weeks at a time. The post holder will be required to make his/her own arrangements for travel to and from the overnight parking place of the Clean Kent vehicle. For an informal discussion about this post, please contact John Cox, Cleansing Manager on 01959 567375.
TO APPLY:
John Cox
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01959 567375
Email
recruitment@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
6th August 2007

JOB TITLE:
HGV Fitter
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£19,515p.a. to £25,959 p.a
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
Plus a final salary contributory pension scheme To assist in the servicing, testing and maintenance of the Council's fleet of vehicles and carry out MOT tests and tests on hackney carriage and public hire vehicles as required. To assist in the day to day running of the vehicle workshop. You will need a positive proactive approach to working with a wide range of contacts, be self-motivated and able to work on own initiative as well as in a team.You must be able to cope well under pressure and deal effectively with difficult situations, be decisive, reliable and responsible, and committed to customer care and quality.You will also need 'hands on' experience of commercial vehicle maintenance operations. Preferably hold a Category C LGV Driving Licence, and have an understanding of VOSA standards and maintenance requirements with respect to operator licensing. Experience of light van and truck maintenance is essential. Starting salary will be dependent upon skills and experience. For an informal discussion about this post, please contact Steve Allard on 01959-567376
TO APPLY:
Steve Allard
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01959-567376
Email
recruitment@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
17th August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Planning Officer/Senior Planning Officer
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£16,659 p.a. - £35,508 p.a. rising to £37,158 p.a.
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
Plus a final salary contributory pension scheme. We are currently recruiting trainee planners to work in our Development Control Team. This is a career graded post and will require the successful candidate to undertake day release training to obtain either a Diploma or Masters in Town Planning. If you have excellent communication skills, good time management, a focus on team working, customer care skills and the desire to create and maintain a high-quality physical environment, you would contribute to the team. If you are someone that meets these criteria and enjoys working in a busy, friendly and sociable environment then please consider this post. Starting salary will be dependent upon skills and experience. For an informal discussion about this post, please contact Gilian Macinnes on 01732 227313 or email gilian.macinnes@sevenoaks.gov.uk. Our staff benefits package includes, a final salary contributory pension scheme, flexible annual leave and working arrangements, free membership of Sencio's Leisure Centres in the District, a childcare vouchers scheme, free car parking at place of work and excellent training and development opportunities.
TO APPLY:
Human Resources
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01732 227102
Email
recruitment@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
30th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Principal Contracts Officer
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
£25,701 - £29,328 per annum
COMPANY:
Thanet District Council
Thanet is a great place to live and work. Our historic seaside towns of Ramsgate, Margate and Broadstairs are rich in heritage and opportunity. From the multi-million pound Turner Contemporary Gallery, the planned fast speed rail link to London, and the popular Westwood Cross shopping centre - this is an exciting time to join Thanet District Council. We are determined to improve the quality of life for local people.We believe that by listening to local people, working in active partnership and by being prepared to do things in an innovative way we can accelerate improvement and best meet the challenges ahead. The Principal Contracts Officer will be a member of the Procurement Team and act as key advisor to the organisation on preparation and compliant letting of contracts, contract management and related issues. You will be supporting the work of the Procurement & Facilities Manager in developing comprehensive contracts and strategies to deliver the Council's Procurement Strategy and a 4 year Procurement and Value for Money programme in support of the Council's overall business aims and objectives. The main duties and responsibilities of this post are the preparation of tender documentation and to assist in the development of processes and systems as required to enable the efficient management of the contracting and procurement process. Advise and develop contract compliance mechanisms, performance indicators, evaluation and monitoring of contracts and agreements. To actively participate and contribute on behalf of the team within appropriate meetings and procurement projects. You will be Cips qualified and have a proven track record within the field of procurement, ideally you will have gained your experience within the Public Sector, Government Agency or related sector, specifically having a working knowledge of the following: • EU Legislation • Tendering Processes • Working to Framework Agreements You must be able to demonstrate excellent communication skills both written and verbal, a willingness to challenge others and possess a strong customer focus as you will be working closely with budget holders and will need to understand their requirements in order to get them value for their money. Flexible working will be a key feature offered to the right candidate with structure of working week and hours fully negotiable. All posts include generous annual leave, flexible working, negotiated hours, entry into a medical health scheme, free car parking or subsidised bus pass, as well as access to the local government final salary pension scheme. For an application form and job description for this position, please contact the Human Resources Unit, telephone (01843) 577175 (24 hours), e-mail personnel@thanet.gov.uk alternatively you can apply online at www.thanet.gov.uk/jobs. Thanet District Council operates a no smoking policy and is an equal opportunities employer actively working towards a commitment to employing people with disabilities. Interviews will be held on 28th August 2007.
TO APPLY:
Human Resources Unit
Thanet District Council
Tel: 01843 577175
Email personnel@thanet.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
6th August 2007

JOB TITLE:
Sessional Psychological Therapists
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ethelbert Children's Services
We require Sessional Therapists to join our multi-disciplinary pool of professionals who are able to offer individual Psychotherapy Therapy, Counselling, Life story Work, Anger Management and Cognitive Behaviour Therapy. Applicants, will be accredited by BACP and/or UKCP registered and be qualified to a minimum of diploma level. Knowledge of working with clients with learning difficulties would be beneficial. For informal discussions please contact Lynda Marshall or Sarah Tait on 01843 571079.
TO APPLY:
Lynda Marshall
Ethelbert Children's Services
Tel: 01843 823762
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Young Carers Project Worker
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
£16,300 per annum (pro rata)
COMPANY:
Medway Carers Centre
30 hours per week based in Medway and funded conditionally until March 2008. The post holder will have a key role in supporting young carers aged 5 -18 years within Medway, both individually & in groups. As a young carers support worker you will work with young carers and their families, ensuring support and information are available and accessible. You will also support young carers in a variety of community and school settings in Medway and ensure young carers have a break from caring responsibilities. You will be required to work flexible hours to include some evenings, weekends and school holidays.
TO APPLY:
Liz Chapman
Medway Carers Centre
Tel: 01634 852458
Email Medwaycarers@aol.com
CLOSING DATE
29th July 2007

RETAIL, WHOLESALE, SALES

JOB TITLE:
Direct salespeople
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£1,000 per deal and over £80,000 a year
COMPANY:
Protectacoat
Company car, qualified appointments and over 20% commission and bonus. Do you want £1,000 per deal and over £80,000 a year?
TO APPLY:
Protectacoat
Tel: 0800 526486
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Direct Salespeople
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£1000 Commission and bonus per average deal.
COMPANY:
Protectacoat
Competition free product. We supply car, training and qualified appointments.
TO APPLY:
Protectacoat
Tel: 0800 526486
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Sales Engineer
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Undisclosed
A knowledge of Hydraulic and Pneumatics preferred but not essential. A self- motivated person is required to develop existing business and generate new business within a targeted area utilising their own skills. Salary negotiable depending on experience, with a profit related bonus scheme. Should you wish to become a part of this well-established business please send your CV to: Box Number 118, KOS Media Ltd, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR.
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Email
vacancy.personnel@hotmail.com

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JOB TITLE:
Sales Executives
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Dutton Forshaw Maidstone
Due to continued expansion of our Parkwood Maidstone operations we are currently seeking high calibre individuals to work as part of our existing sales team. The absolute requirement is for bright individuals who are not afraid to give full commitment to a career that will offer considerable reward and the opportunity for career progression. Dutton-Forshaw is one the country's leading Motor Groups that operate from facilities to be proud of. Our commitment is to offer ongoing and professional training that enables all employees to maximise their potential.
If you have a the qualities that we require and think you can meet and exceed our expectations please write in confidence, enclosing an up to date cv to: Andrew Wood, Sales Manager, Dutton Forshaw, Bircholt Road, Parkwood Industrial Estate Maidstone Kent ME15 9XL
TO APPLY:
Andrew Wood
Dutton Forshaw
Maidstone
Email
applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

TRANSPORT, LOGISTICS, AVIATION

JOB TITLE:
Drivers
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
Good rates of pay
COMPANY:
Princes Recruitment
Needed for short and long term contracts. LGV1, LGV2, 7st for Dartford and surrounding towns. Immediate start.
TO APPLY:
Marc Princes
Recruitment
Tel: 01322 279998
Email
recruitment@
princesrecruitment.co.uk

Highways – District of Dover

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, TOWER HAMLETS AREA, DOVER) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 30th July 2007 for an estimated period of twelve weeks or until such works are complete or for a period not exceeding 18 months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

THE SCHEDULE

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route
1. Douglas Road For its entire length	10. Goschen Road, Noahs Ark Road, South Road
2. East Street For its entire length	2. Tower Street, West Street
3. Edred Road For its entire length	3. South Road, Tower Street, West Street, Widred Road
4. Ethelbert Road For its entire length	4. South Road, Tower Street, West Street
5. Goschen Road From its junction with Astor Avenue to its junction with Noahs Ark Road	5. Astor Avenue, Northbourne Avenue, Noahs Ark Road
6. Lowther Road For its entire length	6. Goschen Road, Noahs Ark Road, South Road
7. Noahs Ark Road From its junction with Goschen Road to its junction with Edred Road	7. Goschen Road, Astor Avenue, South Road
8. Northbourne Avenue From its junction with Astor Avenue to its junction with Noahs Ark Road	8. Astor Avenue, Goschen Road, Noahs Ark Road
9. Odo Road For its entire length	9. South Road, Tower Street, West Street, Widred Road
10. South Road From its junction with Astor Avenue/ Tower Street to its junction with Edred Road	10. Tower Street, Astor Avenue, Goschen Road, Noahs Ark Road
11. Tower Hamlets Street For its entire length	11. South Road, Tower Street, West Street
12. Widred Road For its entire length	12. West Street, Tower Street, South Road, Edred Road
13. Wyndham Road For its entire length	13. Goschen Road, Astor Avenue, Tower Street, South Road

Date: 29th July 2007

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (OLD PARK ROAD, DOVER) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because cabling works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Old Park Road, Dover, between the junction with Crabble Hill and the junction with Brookfield Avenue, from travelling in a Northerly direction on or after 30 July 2007 for an estimated period of six weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Whitfield Avenue.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, DOVER) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto. The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule is described in Column 2 and at dates and times as indicated in Column 3 of that Schedule on or after 13th August 2007 for an estimated period of six weeks or until such carriageway reconditioning works are complete or for a period not exceeding 18 months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

THE SCHEDULE

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route	Column 3 Dates, duration and times of road closure
Phase 1 A256 Maison Dieu Road, Dover Commencing 40m west of Albert Road and extending eastwards to a point 30m east of Albert Road	London Road, Beaconsfield Road, Barton Road, Connaught Road, Park Avenue	Monday 13th August 2007. A full 24 hour road closure for a period of 5 days
Phase 2 A256 Barton Road/ A256 Frith Road, Dover Commencing 10m west of Old Charlton Road and extending eastwards to the junction of A256 Frith Road/A256 Charlton Green	Barton Road, Beaconsfield Avenue, Granville Street, Bridge Street	
Phase 3 A256 Charlton Green, Dover Commencing at its junction with A256 Frith Road extending eastwards to a point 40m west of Albert Road	Bridge Street, Beaconsfield Avenue, Barton Road, Connaught Road, Park Avenue	
Phase 4 A256 Maison Dieu Road, Dover Commencing 30m east of Albert Road and extending eastwards to its junction with Park Street, Park Avenue and Godwyne Road	Maison Dieu Road, Crafford Street, Dour Street, Park Street	Monday 20th August 2007. Overnight road closures between the hours of 2030 and 0600 hours for a period of 5 weeks
Phase 5a A256 Maison Dieu Road, Dover North side of the centre line at its junction with Park Avenue and Godwyne Road and extending 70m northwest and northeast into those roads respectively	Godwyne Road, Park Avenue, Connaught Road, Frith Road, Maison Dieu Road, Taswell Street, Leybourne Road	
Phase 5b A256 Maison Dieu Road, Dover South side of the centre line at its junction with Park Street	Park Place, Dour Street, Crafford Street, Maison Dieu Road, Pencester Road, Biggin Street, Priory Street, Priory Road, Ladywell	

Date: 29th July 2007

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL TRAFFIC CALMING (TOWER HAMLETS ESTATE) MARGATE

The Council of the County of Kent in exercise of their powers under section 90A of the Highways Act 1980, (the "Act") and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with section 90C of the Act hereby give notice that they propose to install the following traffic calming measures in Tower Hamlets Estate, Dover.

ROUND TOP HUMPS

1. WIDRED ROAD (a) Outside No 10 Widred Road
 (b) 10 metres north of the junction with Odo Road
2. TOWER HAMLETS STREET (a) Outside Nos 5 and 25
3. EDRED ROAD (a) Outside Nos 9 and 45 Edred Road.
 (b) 10 metres west of No 70 Edred Road.
4. NOAH'S ARK ROAD Outside Nos 49, 56, 73 Noah's Ark Road
5. DOUGLAS ROAD Outside Nos 514 and 52 Douglas Road
6. LOWTHER ROAD Outside Nos 24 and 52 Lowther Road
7. ODO ROAD Outside Nos 21 and 57 Odo Road
8. WYNDHAM ROAD Outside Nos 27 and 63 Wyndham Road

SINGLE SPEED HUMPS

1 SOUTH ROAD Out side Nos 18 and 20 South Road

DOUBLE SPEED CUSHIONS

1 GOSCHEN ROAD Outside Nos 7, 18/20, 28 Goschen Road
2 NORTHBOURNE AVENUE Outside No 11 Northbourne Avenue
3 NOAR'S ARK ROAD Outside Nos 5 and 24 Noah's Ark Road
4 SOUTH ROAD Outside No 91 South Road

TRIPLE SPEED CUSHIONS

1. NORTHBOURNE AVENUE The following distances east of the junction with Astor Avenue
 (a) 39 metres
 (b) 100 metres
 (c) 160 metres
2. NOAH'S ARK ROAD 20 metres east of the junction with Goschen Road

A map containing full details together with a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to implement the measures may be examined at the Kent Highway Services, East Kent Office, 2 Beer Cary Lane, Canterbury, CT1 2NN

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (DOVER) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES (AMENDMENT No 20) ORDER 2007

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL proposes to make the above named Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and 4(2), 32(1), 35(1) 46 and 46B and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order will be to introduce to the waiting restriction and parking places in the following lengths of road to facilitate a traffic calming scheme in Tower Hamlets:

EDRED ROAD	NOAH'S ARK ROAD
GOSCHEN ROAD	NORTHBOURNE ROAD
LOWTHER ROAD	WYNDHAM ROAD

Full details are contained in the draft Order which, together with the relevant plans, and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at the Dover District Council Offices, White Cliffs Business Park, Dover during normal opening times

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order you should write, stating your reasons, to the Transportation Manager, Kent Highway Services, East Kent Office, Beer Cart Lane, Canterbury, CT1 2nd by noon on Monday 20 August 2007.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (TOWER HAMLETS, DOVER) (20 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2007

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL proposes to make the above named Order under 1, 2(4) and part IV of Schedule 9 section 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the proposed Order will introduce a 20 mph speed limit in Tower Hamlets Estate on the following roads:

Amselm Road	Entire Length
Astor Avenue	Entire Length
Chamberlain Road	Entire Length
Curzon Road	Entire Length
Devonshire Road	Entire Length
Dickson Road	Entire Length
Douglas Road	Entire Length
East Street	Entire Length
Edred Road	Entire Length
Ethelbert Road	Entire Length
Goschen Road	Entire Length
Hamilton Road	Entire Length
Harbour View Road	Entire Length
High Meadow	Entire Length
Lowther Road	Entire Length
Noah's Ark Road	Entire Length
North Road	Entire Length
Northbourne Road	Entire Length
Odo Road	Entire Length
Priory Hill	Entire Length
South Road	Entire Length
St Bartholemews Close	Entire Length
Tower Hamlets Street	Entire Length
Tower Hill	Entire Length
Tower Street	Entire Length
West Street	Entire Length
Widred Road	Entire Length
Wyndham Road	Entire Length
Tower Hamlets Road	From the junction with East Street to the junction with St Bartholemews Close

Full details are contained in the Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended and a statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at Kent Highway Services, 70 Stour Street, Canterbury between 9am and 5pm and Mondays to Fridays and at Dover District Council, White Cliffs Business Park, Dover during normal opening times.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order, you should send the grounds for your objection:

In writing to the Transportation Manager, Kent Highway Services, East Kent Division, 2 Beer Cart Lane, Canterbury CT1 2NN. By email to kent.highwayservices@kent.gov.uk Or by FAX on 01227 464765 by 12 noon on Monday 20 August 2007.

Highways – City of Canterbury

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, CITY OF CANTERBURY) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (No. 3) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto. The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule is described in Column 2 and at dates and times as indicated in Column 3 of that Schedule on or after 30th July 2007 for an estimated period of twelve weeks or until such works are complete or for a period not exceeding 18 months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The Canterbury City Council (Various Roads, North Holmes Road Area, Canterbury) (Traffic Regulation) Order 1992 in respect of the particular provision that closes North Holmes Road except for pedal cycles from the junction with Old Ruttington Lane for a distance of 5 metres in a southerly direction and The Canterbury City Council (North Holmes Road and Old Ruttington Lane, Canterbury) (One-Way Traffic) Order 1985 in respect of Old Ruttington Lane is temporarily suspended at such times as the traffic signs erected to indicate the effect of these Orders on this road are covered or removed.

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee, Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

Kent Highway Services

THE SCHEDULE

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route	Column 3 Dates and road closure
1. Old Ruttington Lane, Canterbury (Phase 1) From its junction with Military Road to its junction with North Holmes Road	1. Military Road, Broad Street, Lady Wootons Green, Monastery Street, Havelock Street and North Holmes Road	30th July 2007 for an estimated 4 weeks
2. Old Ruttington Lane, Canterbury (Phase 2) From its junction with North Holmes Road to its junction with Broad Street	2. North Holmes Road, Havelock Street, Monastery Street and Lady Wootons Green	30th July 2007 for an estimated 4 weeks
3. Milner Lane, Sturry From its junction with A28 Mill Road for the full length	3. No diversion required – Cul-de-Sac	30th July 2007 for an estimated 4 weeks
4. Bullockstone Road, Herne Bay. From the southern boundary of Herne Bay High School to its junction with Bridleway	4. Bullockstone Road, Lower Herne Road, A291 Canterbury Road, A2990 Thanet Way, Greenhill Road and Bullockstone Road	30th July 2007 for an estimated 3 weeks
5. Guildford Road, Canterbury From its junction with Zealand Road to its junction with Martyrs Field Road (Rolling closure to be used)	5. Zealand Road, Heaton Road and Martyrs Field Road	27th August 2007 for an estimated 8 weeks

Date: 29th July 2007

Highways – District of Shepway

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(RISBOROUGH LANE, CHERITON)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because gas main replacement works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Risborough Lane, Cheriton from from the junction with Risborough Way to the junction with Cheriton High Street on or after 30 July 2007 for an estimated period of six weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Risborough Way, Shorncliffe Road, Beachborough Road, Cheriton Road and Cheriton High Street MIDAS ORDER NO MY/8/GG/0010.

Highways – District of Sevenoaks

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
VALLEY ROAD, FAWKHAM
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Valley Road, Fawkham between its junctions with Manor Lane and Michaels Lane.

The Order will become effective on 13th August 2007, for a period of seven days, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: B260 Main Road, Hartley Road, Ash Road, Chapel Wood Road, Ash Road, The Street, South Ash Road, Ash Lane, A20 London Road, Fawkham Road, Brands Hatch Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the renewal of Bt Ducting in the carriageway.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
A21/A225 SLIPROAD, RIVERHILL
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic travelling at any speed above 40m.p.h. on A21/A225 Slip Road at Riverhill.

The Order will become effective on 13th August 2007, for a period of seven days, or, until completion of the planned works. These speed restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The purpose of the restriction is to ensure the safety of workers on site in the carriageway.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
GRACIOUS LANE, SEVENOAKS
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Gracious Lane, Sevenoaks between its junctions with A225 London Road and Beechmont Road.

The Order will become effective on 13th August 2007, for a period of three weeks, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate works being undertaken on Telecoms ducting and their associated chambers.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
MILL STREET (MILL LANE), CHIDDINGSTONE
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Mill Street between its junctions with Penshurst Road and High Street

The Order will become effective on 13th August 2007 for a period of up to Three weeks or until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: B2027 Penshurst Road, Chested Lane and High Street.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate carriageway patching works to be carried out by Kent Highway Services.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
A224 LONDON ROAD, SEVENOAKS
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on A224 London Road, Sevenoaks between its junctions with Rockdale Road and South Park.

The Order will become effective on 30th July 2007 for a period of up to four weeks until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: A225 High Street, Pembroke Road, A225 London Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate footway reconditioning works.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
BRITTAINS LANE, SEVENOAKS
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Brittains Lane, Sevenoaks between its junctions with Beaconsfields and Oak Lane (1), between its junctions with The Middlings and Beaconsfields (2) and between Downsview Road and The Middlings (3). Each section will be closed individually.

The Order will become effective on 30th July 2007 for a period of up to two weeks per section or until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: (1) – Brittains Lane, London Road, Oak Hill Road, Oak Lane. (2) – Brittains Lane, London Road, Oak Hill Road, Oak Lane, Brittains Lane. (3) – Brittains Lane, London Road, Oak Hill Road, Oak Lane, Brittains Lane.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate Telecoms Ducting works and works on their associated chambers.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

Highways – District of Thanet

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, DISTRICT OF THANET)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (No. 4) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 30th July 2007 for an estimated period of ten weeks or until such works are complete or for a period not exceeding 18 months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

"The Kent County Council (Various Roads, Thanet) (Traffic Regulation) Order 2002" in respect of the One Way Street on St Johns Road (St Johns Place to Princes Crescent), St Johns Street and Addington Street (From its junction with Hawley Square (South) to its junction with Addington Square) will be temporarily suspended for the duration of this Order.

THE SCHEDULE

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route
1. Addington Street, Margate From its junction with St Johns Road to its junction with Addington Square	1. Churchfields, Churchfield Place, Hawley Square, Cecil Street, Union Crescent, Addington Road, Victoria Road, Princes Crescent, St John's Road
2. Charlotte Square, Margate From its junction with St Johns Street for a distance of approximately 25 metres	2. Victoria Road, Ramsgate Road, Queen's Avenue, Grosvenor Gardens, Churchfields
3. St Johns Road, Margate From its junction with Addington Street to its junction with Princes Crescent	3. Addington Street, Addington Road, Victoria Road, Princes Crescent
4. St Johns Street, Margate From its junction with Charlotte Place/ Charlotte Square for a distance of approximately 30 metres	4. Churchfields, Churchfield Place, Hawley Square, Cecil Street, Union Crescent, Addington Road, Victoria Road, Princes Crescent, St John's Road
5. Victoria Road, Margate From its junction with Cowper Road to its junction with Church Street	5. Victoria Road, Cowper Road, Arnold Road, Church Street, Victoria Road

Date: 29th July 2007

Kent County Council (Various Roads Broadstairs) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2007

NOTICE is hereby given that the Kent County Council intends to make an Order under Section 16 of The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, (as amended) the effect of which will be to impose the following prohibitions on traffic to enable Broadstairs Folk Festival to take place in safety. The alternative route for through traffic will be via York Avenue, Pierremont Avenue, High Street, Carlton Avenue, Stanley Road and Crow Hill.

Specified Road	length of road affected
Albion Street	From the junction with High Street to the junction with the entrance to Crofts Place Car Park
Alexandra Road	Entire length
Belvedere Road	From the junction with Dundonald Road to the junction with High Street.
Buckingham Road	Entire length
Charlotte Street	Entire length
Harbour Street	Entire length
High Street	From the junction with Queens Road to the junction with Albion Street
John Street	Entire length
Prospect Road	Entire length
St Mary's Road	Entire length
Thanet Road	Entire length
Victoria Parade	From the junction with Chandos Square into the turning circle outside the Charles Dickens Public House
Wardour Close	Entire length

All closures are night-times from 20.00 hours through to 01.00 hours the following day.

Access will be maintained to vehicles displaying in the relevant position on the dashboard or fascia panel a permit issued by The Kent Highway Services East Kent Divisional Manager.

This Order will come into force at 20.00 hours on Friday 10 August 2007 until 01.00 hours on Saturday 18 August 2007, will be in operation when the appropriate signs are erected, and will remain valid until the event is over.

Highways – Borough of Dartford

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
WEST HILL, DARTFORD
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by Dartford bound vehicular traffic on West Hill, Dartford between its junctions with Shepherds Lane and Highfield Road.

The Order will become effective on 30th July 2007 for a period of up to a total of eighteen months until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: Princes Road, Lowfield Street and Instone Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate various carriageway improvement works for the new development.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

Highways – Borough of Gravesham

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
SINGLEWELL ROAD, GRAVESEND
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Singlewell Road, Gravesend, at the junction with Cross Lane East.

The Order will become effective on 13th August 2007, for a period of seven days, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will as signed on site. This is subject to change.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate Carriageway Surfacing and Duct Crossings for the Installation of new traffic signals.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee, Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

Kent Highway Services

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
KING STREET, GRAVESEND
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on King Street, Gravesend outside the Pembroke Public House.

The Order will become effective on 13th August 2007, with works taking place on Sunday 19th August 2007, for a period of one day, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: Parrock Street, Lord Street, Wrotham Road, Clive Road, Barrack Row and Darnley Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the lifting of heavy equipment onto the roof of the property using a crane.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
THONG LANE, SHORNE
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Thong Lane, Shorne between Shorne Ifield Road and Vigilant Way

The Order will become effective on 30th July 2007 for a period of up to seven days or until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: Thong Lane, A2, A289 Wainscott Bypass, A226 Gravesend/Rochester Road, Thong Lane.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the installation of a new electrical supply on behalf of EDF.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

Highways – Borough of Tonbridge & Malling

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
MILL LANE, HILDENBOROUGH
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Mill Street between its junctions with Penshurst Road and High Street.

The Order will become effective on 13th August 2007 for a period of up to five days or until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: London Road, Riding Lane, Hildenborough Road, Mill Lane.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate carriageway patching works to be carried out by Kent Highway Services.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
SWAN STREET/LUCKS HILL WEST MALLING
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Swan Street/Lucks Hill, West Malling between its junctions with High Street and Winterfield Lane.

The Order will become effective on 30th July 2007 for a period of up to nine days or until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: High Street, Town Hill, A20 London Road, Winterfield Lane.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the upsizing of the sewer pipe under the railway bridge on behalf of Southern Water.

Access will be maintained for residents as much as possible at all times.

Highways – Borough of Ashford

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS IN THE BOROUGH OF ASHFORD)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC AND WAITING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

The Order will come into operation on Monday 20th. August 2007 and will be valid for a maximum period of 18 months or until the works have been completed, whichever is sooner. The works are scheduled to commence on Monday 20th. August 2007 and are programmed for completion within an estimated period of six weeks.

SCHEDULE 1

Column 1 The affected routes	Column 2 The alternative routes
C187 Church Road, Sevington from A2070 Bad Munstereifel Road to Highfield Lane	North-west bound traffic via Highfield Lane, A20 Hythe Road, M20/A20 Motorway Junction 10, A2070 Bad Munstereifel Road. South-east bound traffic vice versa.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, BOUGHTON ALUPH & EASTWELL)
(WEIGHT RESTRICTION) ORDER 2007
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that the Kent County Council proposes to make an Order under Sections 1 and 2 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which would be to prohibit any vehicle, laden or unladen with a gross weight which exceeds 7.5 tonnes from using Wye Road, Church Lane, Pilgrims Way and Lees Road, Boughton Aluph. Access rights will be maintained for all vehicles requiring legitimate access to or from any premises situated on these roads.

This will be for improving the amenities of the area through which the roads run.

A copy of the proposed Order together with an explanatory statement and a map showing the lengths of road concerned may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of Kent Highway Services, Transportation Team, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU or at the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford, Kent TN23 1PL.

Any persons wishing to support the new proposal, or object to it, should write to Tara O'Shea, Kent Highway Services, Mid Kent Division, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU quoting the name of the Order and stating their reasons, by not later than 20 August 2007.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, CHARING)
(SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2007
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that The Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 82, 83 and 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers has made an Order, the effect of which would be to;

(a) reduce the existing 50 mph maximum speed limit on the A20 Maidstone Road / Ashford Road through Charing to 40 mph and,

(b) extend the existing 50 mph maximum speed limit on Bowl Road by a distance of 43 metres.

A copy of the proposed Order, which come into operation on 1st August 2007, together with an explanatory statement and a map showing the lengths of roads concerned may be inspected during normal office hours in the Transportation Team, Kent Highway Services, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU or at the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, the Highway Manager, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford Kent TN23 1PL.

Anyone may, by application to the High Court within 6 weeks of the date of publication of this Notice, challenge the validity of the Order or of any provision contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or of any instrument made thereunder, or that there has been a failure to comply with any statutory requirement in relation to the Orders.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, ASHFORD)
(TOUCAN CROSSING)
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that the Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, intends to install a pedestrian crossing of the type described in column 1 of the Schedule hereto, at the location described in column 2 of the said Schedule.

A plan showing the location of the proposed pedestrian crossing may be inspected during normal office hours in the Transportation Team, Kent Highway Services, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU or at the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, the Highway Manager, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford Kent TN23 1PL.

SCHEDULE

Column 1 Type of Pedestrian Crossing	Column 2 Location
Toucan	Romney Marsh Road at its junction with Forestall Meadow and Ashford Road.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(TENTERDEN ROAD, ROLVENDEN)
(40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2007
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that The Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 82, 83 and 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers has made an Order, the effect of which would be to install a maximum speed limit of 40 miles per hour on the A28 Tenterden road from a point 133 metres north east of its junction with Sparkswood Avenue in a north easterly direction for a distance of 302 metres.

A copy of the proposed Order, which come into operation on 1st August 2007, together with an explanatory statement and a map showing the lengths of roads concerned may be inspected during normal office hours in the Transportation Team, Kent Highway Services, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU or at the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, the Highway Manager, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford Kent TN23 1PL.

Anyone may, by application to the High Court within 6 weeks of the date of publication of this Notice, challenge the validity of the Order or of any provision contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or of any instrument made thereunder, or that there has been a failure to comply with any statutory requirement in relation to the Orders.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS ASHFORD)
(WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND STREET PARKING PLACES)
(AMENDMENT No. 3) ORDER 2007
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that the Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2, 124 and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, proposes to make an Order, the effect of which will be to install 'at any time' waiting restrictions in the following roads Bybrook Road, Freathy Lane, Hurst Road, Jersey Close, Mill Court, Rothbrook Drive, Tadworth Road and Trinity Road.

A copy of the proposed Order together with explanatory statements, maps showing the extent of the restrictions and lengths of roads concerned may be inspected during normal office / opening hours at the offices of the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane Ashford, Kent, TN23 1PL, or at the offices of Kent County Council, Transportation Team, Doubleday House, St. Michael's Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU.

Any persons wishing to support the new proposal, or to object to it, should write to Carl Read, Kent Highway Services, Mid Kent Division, Doubleday House, St. Michael's Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU quoting the name of the Order and stating their reasons, by no later than 20th August 2007.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, WOODCHURCH)
(SPEED LIMITS) ORDER 2007
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that The Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 82, 83 and 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers has made an Order, the effect of which would be to extend restricted status to all the roads in the village of Woodchurch and therefore, impose a maximum speed limit of 30mph throughout the village.

A copy of the proposed Order, which come into operation on 1st August 2007, together with an explanatory statement and a map showing the lengths of roads concerned may be inspected during normal office hours in the Transportation Team, Kent Highway Services, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU or at the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, the Highway Manager, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford Kent TN23 1PL.

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THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(BRIDGE STREET, WYE)
(ONE WAY) ORDER 2007
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that The Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 1 and 2 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, proposes to make an Order to extend the existing One Way Movement Order from it's current location, in a south easterly direction to a point in line with the eastern boundary of 50 Bridge Street, Wye. This will be for improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

A copy of the proposed Order together with an explanatory statement and a map showing the length of road concerned may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of Kent Highway Services, Transportation Team, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU or at the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford, Kent TN23 1PL.

Any persons wishing to support the new proposal, or object to it, should write to Tara O'Shea, Kent Highway Services, Mid Kent Division, Doubleday House, St Michaels Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU quoting the name of the Order and stating their reasons, by not later than 20 August 2007.
In the Borough of Maidstone

Highways – Borough of Maidstone

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(YELSTED ROAD, STOCKBURY)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

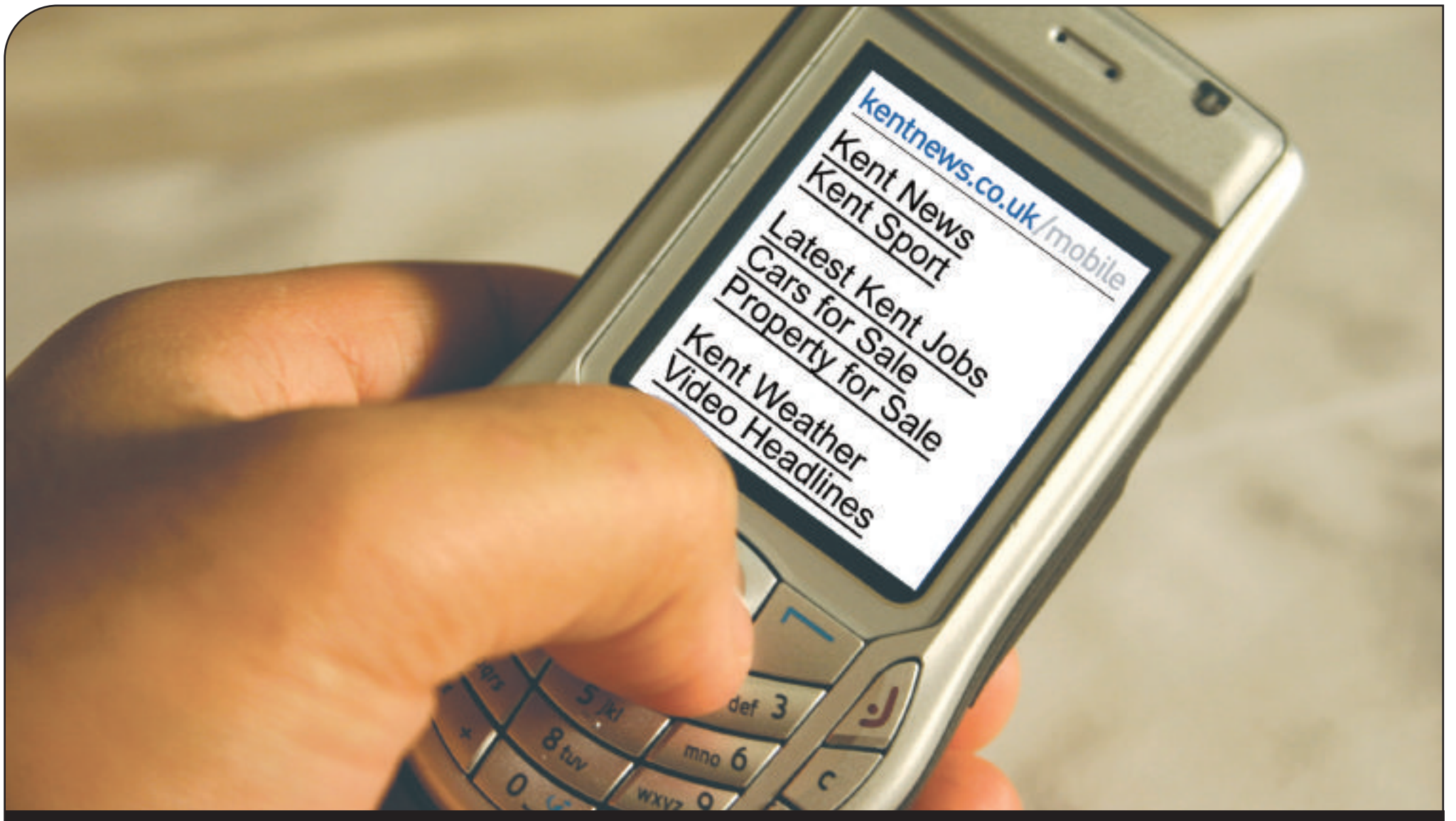
NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Yelsted Road, Stockbury between the junctions of South Street Road and Yelsted Lane on or after Monday 13th August 2007 for a period of up to 10 days or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the route described above is for northbound traffic via South Street Road, West Wood Road, Hill Green Road. For southbound traffic via Yelsted Lane, Cox Street, Scragged Oak Road, A249 Detling Hill, Sittingbourne Road.

British Telecom Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary for cabling works in the area. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Kenton Stewart of McNicholas Construction on 01795 437805.

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee, Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

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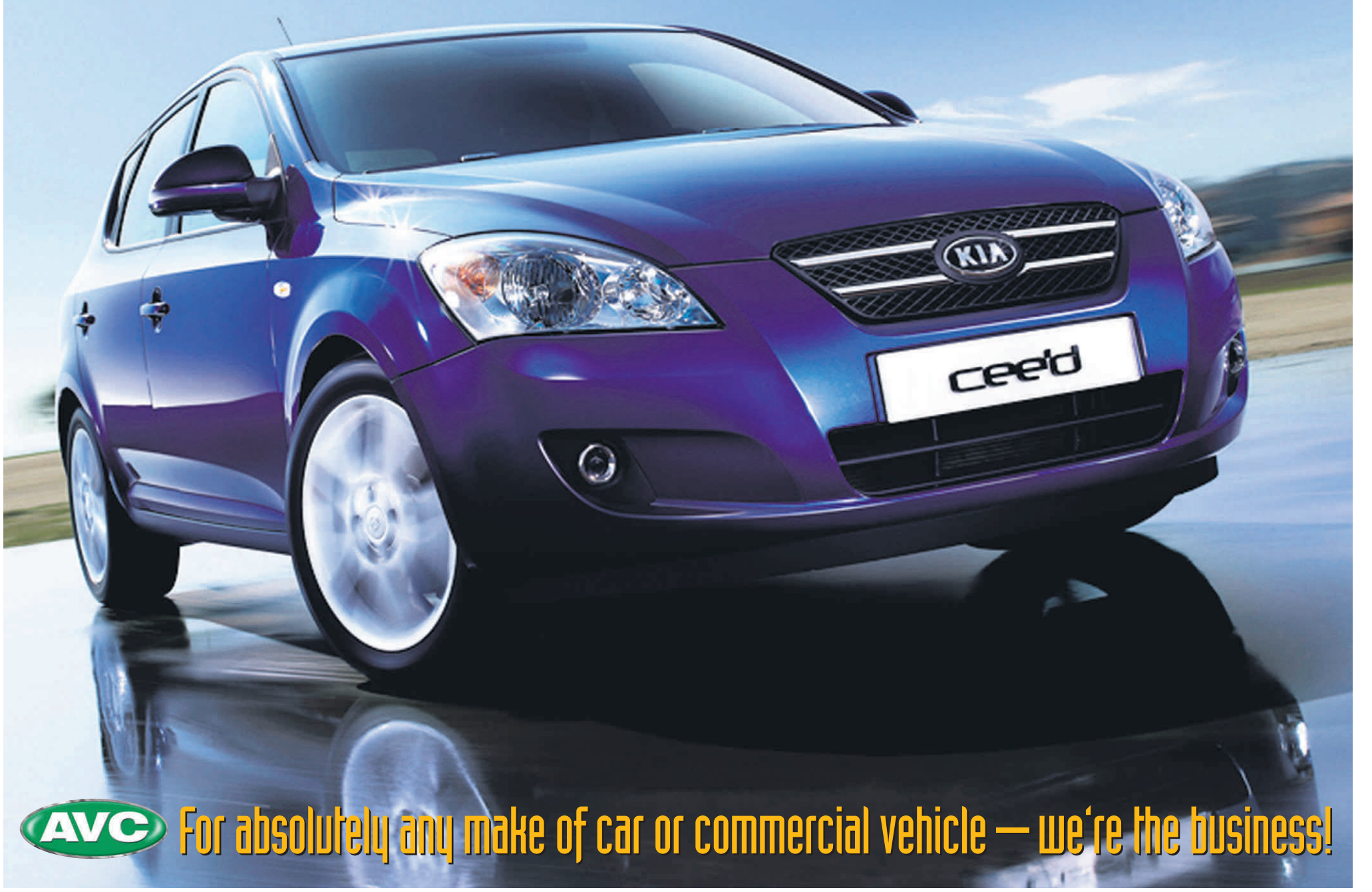
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Jolly green giant from Lexus

WELL-heeled buyers or businesses who simply must have a big car can now ease their green conscience with a hybrid – from £81,400.

That is the entry price for the new petrol-electric Lexus LS600h, based on the latest luxurious LS series launched earlier this year.

When it arrives in October, the LS600h will be a showcase for the world's first full-time, all-wheel drive hybrid V8 powertrain and Lexus says it concedes nothing to conventional rivals.

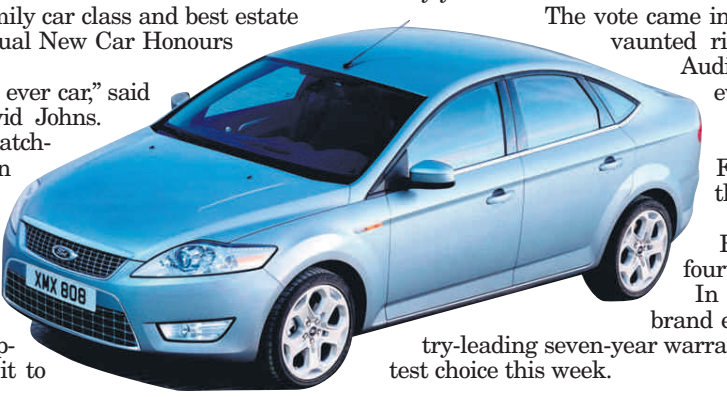
The maximum power is equivalent to V12 petrol engine challengers, with 0-62mph possible in 6.3 seconds, while fuel consumption and emissions are on a par with the segment's most economical but less lively diesels (30.4mpg and 219g/km in combined cycle driving).

Ford lifted by Mondeo award

TROUBLED car giant Ford has been boosted by Auto Express magazine's Car of the Year award for the all-new Mondeo.

It was also named best in the family car class and best estate car in the influential weekly's annual New Car Honours 2007.

"The new Mondeo is Ford's finest ever car," said Auto Express editor in chief, David Johns. "Each and every model, whether hatchback, saloon or estate, has been designed and engineered to the highest standards. The car oozes quality, especially in the cabin which has levels of equipment and comfort which sets new standards for the class."



Quite a fillip for Ford, which is grappling with debts that have forced it to sell Aston Martin, hang 'for sale' signs on Land Rover and Jaguar and may yet force the same for Volvo.

The vote came in the face of competition from much-vaunted rivals such as BMW, Mercedes and Audi and also topped a big day for other everyday brands with awards to the:

Vauxhall Corsa – Best Supermini

Honda Civic – Best Compact Family Car, and Best Hot Hatch (for the Type R)

Citroen C4 Picasso – Best MPV

Fiat Panda – Best City Car (for the fourth time in a row).

In addition, Korea's ambitious Kia brand earned a special award for its industry-leading seven-year warranty on the Kia Ceed – Driving's road test choice this week.

Mazda's light-headedness

MAZDA designers have confessed to being light in the head during development of the forthcoming Mazda2.

But the process has been crucial to saving weight on the car and driving down fuel consumption and CO2 emissions, while delivering the handling and safety expected of the 'Zoom Zoom' brand.

As a result, the new and racier looking Mazda2 is some 100kg lighter than its boxier predecessor; 60 per cent of the lightness comes from attention to the bodyshell and use of high and ultra-high tensile steels for less weight, greater rigidity and better crash resistance.

The svelte newcomer arrives in September.





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Model and specification shown new Auris TR 1.6 VVT-i 5 door manual manufacturer's list price £13,295. Plus metallic paint £350. Price correct at time of going to press and includes VAT, delivery charge, number plates, one year's road fund licence and £50 first registration fee.
Auris 1.6 VVT-i Official Fuel Consumption Figures in mpg (l/100km), Urban 31.4 (9.0), Extra Urban 47.9 (5.9), Combined 39.8 (7.1). CO2 Emissions 166 g/km.

Everyday hot hatch motoring – and it's still a Renaultsport

FirstDrive
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STEVELOADER
Renaultsport



RENAULT has a proud history in hot hatchbacks.

Never entirely flawless, but always quick, many have achieved cult status with badges like 'GT Turbo', 'Williams' and now 'Renaultsport'.

On the other hand, the edgy combination of taut chassis and loads of power that endeared them to petrolheads made them taboo with people who hate the discomfort and 'in yer face' styling that can come with hot hatch performance and street cred.

For those doubters, Renault now has the answer – a Megane Renaultsport featuring one of the most powerful two-litre diesel engines in the business.

It will never satisfy car nuts obsessed by 0-60mph times – the 8.3-second sprint time is almost two seconds slower than the Megane 225 Renaultsport petrol – but it is a useable and, dare I say, sensible hot hatch.

For an enthusiast private buyer or company car 'user chooser' this is the car for 'real life' motoring and covering high mileages; the engine has lots of mid-range punch for easy overtaking and will cruise motorways with refinement and average more than 40mpg with low CO2 emissions of 172g/km. Insurance groups (from 12E) are as much as six bands below that of equivalent petrol models.

And yet, it is still a Megane Renaultsport in character and style – the only visual change from its petrol sisters is the absence of a rear spoiler above the rear window and that now famous 'bustle' boot and tailgate.

You still get the lowered R'sport stance, a bodykit that gives front-end muscle in particular, the fat alloys and the distinctive and well arranged Megane interior including leather trimming, superb racing seats in the front and possibly the best anti-whiplash head restraints in the business.

Other standard kit includes air con, six-speaker CD/radio system, cruise control – I said it was sensible – electronic stability control and fade-free Brembo brakes.

Hit the start button and the diesel fires up and revs smoothly – it is hard to tell you are about to drive an 'oil burner'.

The electric steering feels as though it has been weighted up in comparison to the rather light setting on standard Meganes and, together with a slick shifting six-speed gearbox, delivers the goods for keen drivers.

I was also impressed by the fact that, like its forebears, this hot hatchback corners precisely and with a flat stance yet not at the expense of ride quality – this really is a hot hatchback you can live with on a long journey.

This Renaultsport apparently has its own bespoke spring and damper settings.

On the face of it, list price is not cheap: the line-up starts at £18,950 for a three-door version – the Lux three-door we tested courtesy of the new Motorline Renault dealership in Maidstone costs £20,350 and its five-door equivalent adds £500.

On the other hand, there is such a dearth of diesel performance cars in its sector that Renault's sporting diesel could be a real sales winner.

Renault returns to county town

MOTORLINE has plugged a conspicuous gap in Kent's motor market by opening a new Renault dealership in Maidstone.



MANAGER: Mark Batt

The county town lacked a franchise for six years until Motorline took over a former Mercedes site in Hart Street, close to the Medway riverside.

It opens formally on September 8 to coincide with the launch of the exciting new Renault Twingo city car, but has been fully operational for private, business and Motability buyers for more than two months.

Some ten new jobs have been created there and Motorline has also taken over an existing Renault Service Centre at Quarry Wood in nearby Aylesford, guaranteeing 14 jobs; the overall operation joins established Motorline Renault franchises at Canterbury, Ashford and Dover and 10 other car franchises around Kent.

The Maidstone Renault site's general sales manager Mark Batt joined the company in 2001 and previously worked at Canterbury and Ashford. He told Driving: "There have been quite a lot of changes and new models introduced since the last Renault showroom in Maidstone closed its doors. For a start, the sporting range from Renaultsport has become a phenomenal success on the heels of Renault's F1 Championship titles in 2005 and 2006, and this has brought some spectacular models into the showroom.

"I want to encourage all Maidstone motorists to come and have a look at the range, or call us to book a test drive. With Motorline's sites in Ashford, Canterbury and Dover, we have a big list of demonstrators and we will gladly arrange a test drive in any one of them."



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07 07	Matiz 1.0 SE, Teal Blue, demo	£5,995	£5,795
07 07	Matiz 1.0 Ocean Blue, 10,500 miles		£5,995
07 07	Matiz 0.8 SE AUTO, Poly Silver, demo		£6,295
07 07	Matiz 1.0 SE A/C, Ocean Blue, del miles		£6,495
Kalos		WAS	NOW
04 04	Daewoo Kalos 1.4 SX AUTO 5dr, Pastel Blue, 28,659 miles		£4,995
07 07	Kalos 1.2 S 5dr, Poly Silver, del miles		£6,495
07 07	Kalos 1.2 SE 5dr, Urban Grey, demo	£6,795	£6,295
06 56	Kalos 1.4 SX 5dr, Ruby Red, demo		£6,995
07 07	Kalos 1.2 SE 5dr, Super Red, del miles		£6,995
Lacetti		WAS	NOW
05 05	Lacetti 1.6 SX 5dr, Pearl Black, 15,500 miles		£6,495
05 54	Lacetti 1.8 Sport 5dr, Pearl Black, 17,217 miles		£6,995
06 06	Lacetti 1.6 SX 5dr, Poly Silver, Demo		£6,995
06 06	Lacetti 1.6 SX 5dr, Poly Silver, Demo		£6,995
06 56	Lacetti 1.4 SE 5dr, Poly Silver, 5,977 miles	£7,995	£7,295
06 06	Lacetti 1.6 SX AUTO, Poly Silver, 4,850 miles		£7,995
06 56	Lacetti 1.8 Sport 5dr, Poly Silver, 10,010 miles	£8,295	£7,795
07 07	Lacetti 1.6 SX 5dr, Pearl Black, del miles		£8,495
07 07	Lacetti 1.6 SX 5dr, Mint Green, del miles	£8,995	£8,495
06 56	Lacetti 1.6 SX SW, Poly Silver, 4592 miles	£9,995	£7,995
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06 56	Lacetti 1.8 CDX AUTO, Poly Silver, 422 miles	£10,995	£8,995
Tacuma		WAS	NOW
03 53	Tacuma 1.6 SX, Denim Blue, 21,000 miles		£4,295
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05 55	Tacuma 2.0 CDX AUTO, Poly Silver, 8,721 miles		£6,995
06 06	Tacuma 1.6 SX, Mint Green, 11,100 miles	£6,995	£6,295
07 07	Tacuma 2.0 CDX +, Imperial Blue, 2,476 miles		£8,995
Demonstrators		WAS	NOW
07 07	Lacetti 1.6 SX 5dr, Denim Blue, Sports Kit, demo	£9,995	£8,995
07 07	Lacetti 1.6 SX SW, Dark Turquoise, demo	£9,995	£8,995
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Kia presses Ford and Co to 'ceed' middle ground

DrivingReview



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KiaCeed



HERE'S a clue if you need to understand why Ford, the original blue collar brand, is trying to put on a white collar.

It's the Kia Ceed and while it has one of the sillier names on the market, nobody is laughing at the HQs of traditional mainstream car makers like Ford, Vauxhall or Peugeot.

This Ford Focus challenger looks good, feels European, is priced keenly and comes with a seven-year/100,000-mile warranty – unprecedented on the UK market.

Ford has already felt the heat from rival manufacturers above and below its traditional sales position and, in the bid to boost profitability, has decided to migrate upmarket with bright new models like the brilliant new Mondeo and the sporty S-Max MPV.

This suggests that the next Focus might also get a kick upstairs to attack the Audi A3 and BMW 1-Series.

For now, as the UK's No1 seller, the current Focus would appear to have little to worry about; its design was almost certainly the benchmark for development of the Ceed, but the Korean upstart cannot quite match it for dynamics and engineering.

Look again though and the gap is not so great; the interior of the Kia concedes little, while its more pliant ride might suit some buyers better than the Ford.

The clincher though, is the pricing and that amazing warranty – this is a car to buy and forget about, except to put fuel in.

The only question is choice of engine. Ceed prices start at £10,995, which is supermini territory rather than Focus class, but that buys the lethargic 1.4 petrol version.

Most buyers will opt instead for a 1.6 petrol (from £11,545) or diesel (from £12,295) and then it gets harder to call.

The traditional argument that the petrol will be more refined is undermined by the fact that Kia's 1.6 unit is only average on that front, while its diesel sister is one of the more refined of its class.

Naturally, you pay more upfront for the latter and need to be confident of covering enough miles to enable its greater economy to recoup the extra cash.

To further complicate things, the diesel is offered in two outputs and the 1.6 petrol will run rings around the lower one, but its per-

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CORSA							
2001	Y	Corsa Club	1.0	3	Space green	35,000	£3,295
2004	04	Corsa Design	1.2	5	Black sapphire	43,800	£5,695
2004	04	Corsa Energy CDTi	1.3D	3	Flame red	68,750	£4,995
2004	04	Corsa Energy CDTi	1.3D	3	Black sapphire	37,700	£5,995
2004	04	Corsa Energy	1.2	3	Energy blue	22,000	£5,995
2005	54	Corsa Breeze	1.0	3	Black sapphire	24,100	£5,495
2005	05	Corsa Breeze	1.2	5	Red flame	20,700	£6,150
2005	55	Corsa Sxi	1.2	3	Ultra blue	7,750	£6,495
2006	06	Corsa Active	1.2	3	Ultra blue	2,600	£6,995
2006	06	Corsa Active Auto	1.4	5	Silver lightening	11,050	£7,995
2006	56	Corsa Design	1.2	3	Silver	2,250	£7,295
2006	56	Corsa Sxi + CDTi	1.3D	3	Ultra blue	5,550	£8,495
2006	56	Corsa Sxi + CDTi	1.3D	3	Black sapphire	2,010	£8,495
2006	56	Corsa Active	1.2	3	Silver	2,100	£7,695
2006	56	Corsa Sxi+ CDTi	1.3D	3	Black sapphire	4,200	£8,250
2006	56	Corsa Sxi+ A/c	1.2	3	Flame red	3,750	£7,695
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	5	Black sapphire	3,310	£7,995
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Star silver	2,080	£7,695
2006	56	New Corsa Club A/c CDTi	1.3D	3	Metro blue	3,600	£8,995
2006	56	New Corsa Club	1.2	5	Star silver	5,700	£7,995
2006	56	New Corsa Club	1.2	5	Silver lightening	6,250	£7,995
2006	56	New Corsa Life CDTi	1.3	5	Air blue	7,800	£7,995
2006	56	Corsa Sxi	1.4	3	Silver lightening	2,700	£7,495
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Ultra blue	3,600	£7,495
2007	56	Corsa Design	1.2	3	Star silver	1,700	£7,295
2007	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Silver lightening	2,750	£7,795
ASTRA							
2002	52	Astra Club	1.6	5	Ultra blue	30,150	£4,495
2004	53	Astra Club	1.6	5	Star silver	35,300	£5,295
2004	54	Astra Sport CDTi	1.7D	5	Black	32,500	£7,495
2004	54	New Astra Club E/T	1.6	5	Black sapphire	17,700	£7,995
2005	05	Astra Design Auto	1.8	5	Breeze blue	18,350	£8,995
2005	54	New Astra Club CDTi	1.7D	5	Silver	35,250	£7,995
2006	06	New Astra Design Auto Est	1.9	5	Silver lightening	5,500	£13,995
2006	56	Astra Club CDTi	1.7D	5	Star silver	8450	£9,995
2006	56	New Astra Sxi	1.6	5	Pannacotta	6,850	£9,995
2007	56	Astra Sxi Sports hatch	1.6	3	Black sapphire	5,700	£9,995
VECTRA							
2004	54	Vectra Design	2.2	5	Pannacotta	43,200	£7,495
2005	55	Vectra Estate Sri CDTi	3.0	5	Ultra blue	19,800	£12,795
2006	06	Vectra Exclusiv	1.8	5	Silver	16,350	£9,995
AGILA							
2006	06	Agila Enjoy	1.2	5	Lilac	3,000	£6,695

YEAR	REG	MODEL	ENGINE	DOORS	COLOUR	MILEAGE	£
MERIVA							
2003	03	Meriva Enjoy	1.6	5	Breeze blue	37,000	£5,995
2004	04	Meriva Energy CDTi	1.7D	5	Ultra blue	9,500	£7,495
2006	56	Meriva Energy	1.6	5	Metro blue	1,800	£9,495
2007	07	Meriva Energy E/T	1.6	5	Black sapphire	Delivery	£11,995
OTHER MODELS							
2006	56	Tigra Exclusiv	1.8	2	Black sapphire	Delivery	£12,995
2003	03	Zafira Elegance	1.8	5	Blue	57,100	£6,995
2003	53	Zafira Club	1.6	5	Rubens red	23,100	£6,995
2004	04	Zafira Life A/c	1.6	5	Silver lightening	26,000	£7,495
2004	53	Omega CD Auto	2.2	4	Silver	58,100	£5,995
2003	53	Signum Elite Auto	2.2	5	Ultra blue	58,050	£7,495
1999	T	Ford Focus Ghia	1.8	5	Silver	58,100	£3,695
2005	55	Renault Megane Oasis DCi	1.5D	5	Blue	19,000	£6,995
2005	05	Renault Laguna Extreme	1.8	5	Silver	21,500	£6,995
DUE SOON							
2002	52	Corsa Sxi Body Kit	1.2	3	Flame red	36,000	£4,995
2002	52	Corsa Sxi A/c	1.2	5	Flame red	52,000	£4,495
2003	53	Corsa Active	1.0	3	Flame red	20,000	£4,995
2004	04	Corsa Energy CDTi	1.3D	3	Black sapphire	25,000	£5,695
2003	03	Zafira Club	1.6	5	Ultra blue	45,000	£6,495
2004	54	Zafira Energy	1.6	5	Energy blue	26,000	£7,295
2002	02	Astra Sxi DTi	2.0D	5	Ultra blue	60,000	£4,695
2003	03	Astra Club Auto	1.6	5	Black sapphire	11,500	£5,295
2004	54	Astra Club E/T	1.6	5	Silver	38,000	£6,995
2003	53	Frontera Olympus DTi	2.2	5	Star silver	32,000	£7,795
DEMONSTRATORS							
2007	07	Vivaro	2.0 CDTi LWB		White	Delivery!!	£12995+VAT
2007	07	Combo	1.3 CDTi		Silver	Delivery!!	£8995+VAT
2007	07	Astravan	1.3 CDTi		White	Delivery!!	£8995+VAT
2006	56	Movano	2.5 CDTi LWB		Silver	Delivery!!	£15,195+VAT
PRE REG VEHICLES							
2006	56	Astravan	CDTi Club		White	Delivery!!	£8995+VAT
2006	06	Vivaro	1.9 CDTi SWB 100ps		Met Blue	Delivery!!	£12295+VAT
USED SELECTION							
2004	04	Astravan	Sportive 1.7		Silver	41,900	£6,995+VAT
2004	54	Astravan	Envoy CDTi		White	23,600	£5,995+VAT
2006	56	Astravan	1.3 CDTi		White	9,800	£7,695+VAT
2007	07	Astravan	1.3 Club CDTi		White	Delivery	£7,995+VAT
2006	56	Combo	1.3 CDTi		White	10,260	£7695+VAT
2006	56	Combo	1.3 CDTi		White	13,600	£7,495+VAT
2004	04	Vivaro	1.9 Di SWB		White	54,000	£6995+VAT
2006	06	Vivaro	1.9 CDTi SWB 2700		White	24,000	£9995+VAT
2005	05	Toyota	2.5 Dyna Pickup		White	55050	£6,995+VAT
DUE SOON							
2005	54	Vivaro	1.9 DTi SWB 2700		White	50,000	£6995+VAT

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formance is only on par with the more powerful version – 0-60mph is just under 11 seconds in both cases.

The senior diesel commands a £1,000 premium though and is only available in flagship LS form, though still good value at £14,425.

So, in short, go for the livelier diesel if you are going to cover the miles and need all the home comforts; if you want the best deal, go for a 1.6 petrol.

As it happens, our test car this week was the petrol and in the highest LS spec form which brings alloys, climate control and electric everything as standard.

Sit inside this after a previous generation Kia Rio – the car it effectively replaces, since the current Rio is closer to supermini class – and you would be amazed by how far Kia has progressed in a short time.

The Ceed feels well made and features quality interior fixtures and fittings, plus a decent built-in CD/audio system. Its shortcomings – slight though they are – only become clear on the road, where the engine is rather vocal under pressure even if it cruises well on the motorway.

Thrown into bends sharply, the car's more forgiving suspension allows it to pitch more than a Focus or Vauxhall Astra too, though it is never short of grip.

If this sounds like a deal-breaker though, just be patient; Kia will soon launch a three-door version headed by a tauter chassis hot hatch called the 'Proceed' – oh, dear – and it is not unreasonable to expect a 'performance' five-door model in due course.

Oh, and a smart estate car is due soon and there is a head-turning cabrio to come too.

No wonder the likes of Ford are worried.

DrivingStats

- Kia Ceed (£13,295).
- Range: £10,995-14,295.
- Garage stats: 4.23m by 1.79m five-door hatchback.
- Powertrain: 1,591cc/120bhp four-cylinder petrol engine driving front wheels through a five-speed gearbox.
- Performance: top speed 119mph and 0-62mph in 10.8 seconds.
- How green?: category-D and 152g per km CO2 emissions.
- Official fuel figures: combined 44.1mpg.
- Euro NCAP safety rating (0-5 stars): N/A
- Fuel tank: 53 litres/11.6 gallons.
- Insurance group: 6.
- Warranty: seven years/100,000 miles.
- Website: www.kia.co.uk
- Rivals: Chevrolet Lacetti, Citroen C4, Fiat Bravo, Honda Civic, Hyundai Accent, Mazda3, Nissan Qashqai, Peugeot 307, Renault Megane, Seat Leon, Skoda Octavia, Suzuki Liana, Toyota Auris, Vauxhall Astra and VW Golf.

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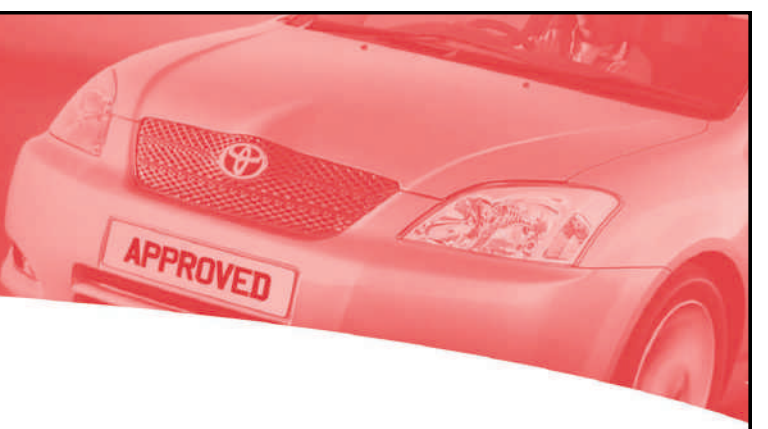
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Model shown is New Fabia 1 1.2 60bhp including metallic paint at £350 RRP and protective side mouldings at £20 RRP. Official fuel consumption in mpg (litres/100km) for the New Fabia Range: Urban 27.7 (10.2) – 49.6 (5.7), Extra-urban 47.1 (6.0) – 68.9 (4.1), Combined 37.7 (7.5) – 61.4 (4.6). CO_2 emissions for the New Fabia Range 120 – 180g/km.
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07 '07	FABIA AMBIENTE 1.4 AUTO	1k	ANTHRACITE GREY	£9,990.00
54 '04	FABIA ELEGANCE 1.4 16v	22k	DARK BLUE	£7,490.00
05 '05	FABIA ELEGANCE 1.4 16v	18k	DIAMOND SILVER	£8,490.00
54 '04	FABIA VRS 1.9 TDI	24k	BLACK MAGIC	£9,990.00
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02 '02	FABIA CLASSIC 1.4 MPI	36k	DYNAMIC BLUE	£4,990.00
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04 '04	FABIA ELEGANCE 1.4 16v	12k	DARK BLUE	£7,990.00
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54 '04	OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 1.9 TDI	31k	STONE GREY	£10,490.00
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07 '07	FABIA SPORT 1.2 12V		CORRIDA RED	£8,290.00
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07 '07	FABIA 2 1.2 12v		DIAMOND SILVER	£9,490.00
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56 '07	ROOMSTER 1 1.4 16V	2k	CORRIDA RED	£8,590.00
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07 '07	ROOMSTER 2 1.4 16V		STORM BLUE	£9,990.00
07 '07	ROOMSTER 2 1.6 16V AUTO		FLAMENCO RED	£10,490.00
07 '07	ROOMSTER 2 1.6 16V		ANTHRACITE GREY	£10,990.00
56 '06	ROOMSTER 2 1.4 TDI		STORM BLUE	£11,490.00
07 '07	ROOMSTER 3 1.4 16v		OCEAN BLUE	£12,490.00
56 '06	ROOMSTER 3 1.9 TDI	3k	OCEAN BLUE	£11,490.00
07 '07	ROOMSTER 3 1.9 TDI		STORM BLUE	£12,790.00
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07 '07	OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 1.9 TDI		STORM BLUE	£11,990.00
07 '07	OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 2.0 TDI		STORM BLUE	£15,690.00
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07 '07	OCTAVIA VRS 2.0 FSI		CORRIDA RED	£16,990.00
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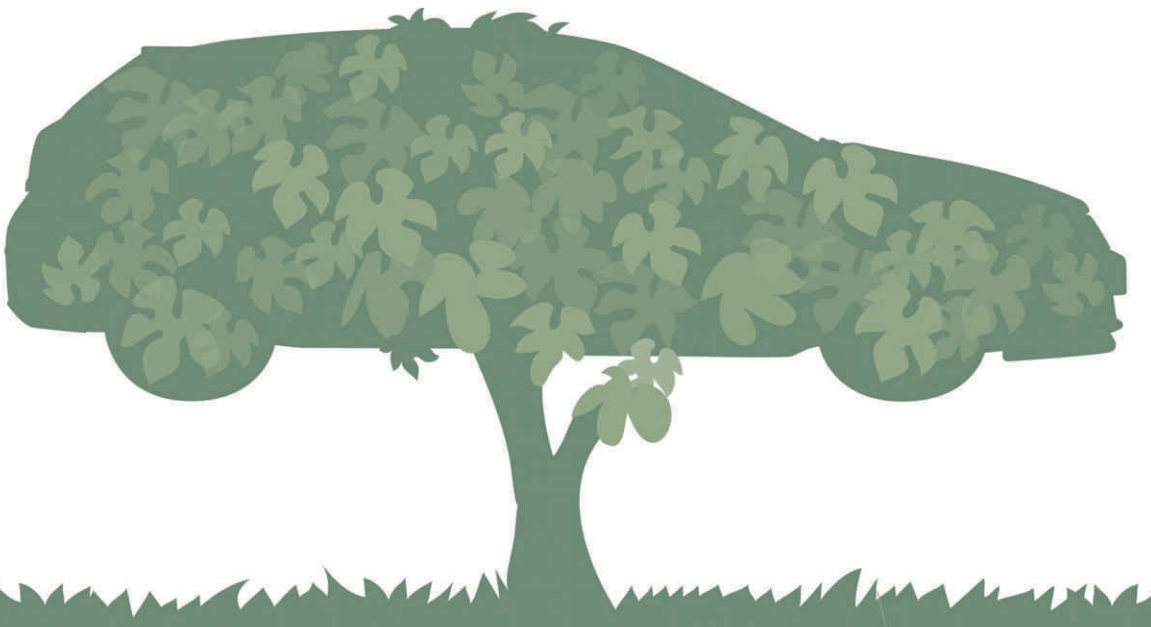


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A4 CABRIOLET, 03, 2003 03 reg audi a4 3.0 sport cabriolet, 4 doors, automatic, saloon, petrol, 35, 542 miles, blue. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, alloy wheels, climate control, electrically adjustable seats, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, lumbar support, passenger airbag, radio/cd, power assisted steering, remote locking, side airbags, sports seats.insurance group:17, £19, 999 p/x welcome, blue, £19999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

A6, 2003, claimate alloys cd/auto, dolphin grey, 45941 miles, £10495, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

BMW

3 SERIES, 2.2 320Ci Coupe 2d 2171cc, 02, 2002 02 reg bmw 320 ci, 2 doors, automatic, coupe, petrol, metallic blue. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, computer, cruise control, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, park distance control, passenger airbag, radio/cassette, power assisted steering, rear headrests, rear armrest, side airbags, traction control.insurance group:15, £13, 999 p/x welcome, metallic blue, miles, £13999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

318I, 2004, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, aquamarine, 24463 miles, £10995, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

3 SERIES, 3.0 330Ci Sport Convertible 2d 2979cc, 51, 2001 51 reg bmw 330 ci sport, 2 doors, manual, coupe, petrol, metallic blue. abs, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, electrically adjustable seats, computer, cruise control, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, immobiliser, head restraints, headlight washers, park distance control, passenger airbag, radio/cassette, power assisted steering, rear headrests, rear armrest, side airbags, sports seats, traction control. £14,999 p/x welcome, metallic blue, miles, £14999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

320, Td Se Compact, 2002, red, 58650 miles, £8495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

320I, 2005, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, black, 11185 miles, £17995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

525, 2005, lthr alloys e/wind cd climate, silver, 18599 miles, £22995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

CHRYSLER

GRAND VOYAGER, 2005, bronze, 22313 miles, £15995, FGBarnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

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BERLINGO, 600 Van 1.9, 2006, 600 van 1.9 diesel, passion red, 19209 miles, £6495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

BERLINGO, 600D LX Van 1.9, 2006, 600d lx van 1.9 diesel, polar white, 7500 miles, £6195, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

BERLINGO MULTISPACE, 2001, 1.6i 16v forte 5dr estate, silver, 63000 miles, £4995, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

BERLINGO MULTISPACE, 2003, 1.9d forte 5dr dsl est, mediterranean blue, 32104 miles, £5995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

BERLINGO MULTISPACE, 2006, 2.0hdi 90 desire 5dr dsl est, £9250, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C1, 1.0i Vibe 3dr, 2006, 1.0i vibe 3dr hatch, 13320 miles, £5495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C1, 1.0i Rhythm 5dr, 2006, 1.0i rhythm 5dr hatch, £6995, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

C1, 1.0i Rhythm 5dr, 2007, 1.0i rhythm 5dr hatch, carlinite grey, 1000 miles, £7995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C15, 1.9D Champ 600 Van, 2003, white, 39106 miles, £3495, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.6i 16V VTR 3dr SensoDrive, 2006, 1.6i 16v vtr 3dr sensodrive hatch, £8995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.4 HDi LX 3dr, 2004, 1.4 hdi lx 3dr diesel hatch, blue, 44729 miles, £5995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.1i L 3dr, 2005, 1.1i l 3dr hatch, yellow, 10 miles, £5995, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

XSARA PICASSO, 2003, 1.8i 16v sx 5dr estate, silver, 10 miles, £6995, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

XSARA PICASSO, 2003, 1.8i 16v sx 5dr estate, grey, 0 miles, £7295, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

XSARA PICASSO, 2001, 1.8i 16v sx 5dr estate, gunmetal, 45640 miles, £4495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

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KALOS, Sx 1.4, 2002, blue, 52897 miles, £3295, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

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FIAT DUCATO 1400, 02 2002, 2.8 jtd lwb 3 axle 14 seater minibus tial lift 37.000 miles ideal camper conversion, £9995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FIAT DUCATO 1400, 01 2002, 2.8 jtd lwb 3 axle 14 seater minibus tiallift 45.000 miles ideal camper conversion, £9995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

PANDA, Elegance 1250, 2004, red, 11888 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

PANDA, 1.2 Eleganza 5dr, 2004, 1.2 eleganza 5dr hatch, metallic blue, 17673 miles, £4795, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

PUNTO, 2004, e/wind c/lock pas, silver, 17795 miles, £4295, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

PUNTO, 2004, pas a/bag, black, 21078 miles, £4995, WJ King Vauxhall, Farningham, 01322 862366 (TRADE)

PUNTO, 2005, cd c/lock e/wind pas a/bag, black, 15359 miles, £4995, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

PUNTO, 1.2 DYNAMIC, 2004, central locking electric windows power steering immobiliser, emerald green, 55000 miles, £4000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

STILO, 16v Dynamic, 2002, blue metallic, 28000 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

FORD

FORD CONNECT T200, 05 2004, 1.8 tddi swb white 82.000 miles, £4995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T200, 12 2003, 1.8 tdci 90 ps swb l/roof silver metalic fsh, 0 miles, £4995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T200, 03 2004, 1.8 tddi swb l/roof side door bulkhead fsh ex bt 52.000 miles white, £5795, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T200 LX swb, 03 2003, 1.8tdci 90 ps elec windows abs white 24.000 miles, £5995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T200L, 01 2004, 1.8 tddi swb l/roof side door ex bt 50.000 miles fsh white, £5495, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T220, 11 2003, 1.8 tdi swb l/roof side door ex bgas blue fsh shelved 44.000 miles, £5795, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T220, 09 2003, 1.8 tddi 75 ps lwb hi top side door red lined 39.000 miles, £6350, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T220 LX swb, 09 2004, 1.8 tdci 90 ps low roof side door rear seat elec window 51.000 miles, £6495, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T220 LX, 03 2004, 1.8 tdci 90 ps swb l/roof dark blue air/con cd elec window fsh, 0 miles, £4995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD CONNECT T230, 05 2004, 1.8 tdci 90 ps lwb hi top side door white £5995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD ESCORT 55, 04 2001, 1.8d pas white, 0 miles, £2750, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 LX (a/c) Hatchback 3d 1388cc, 03, 2003 03 reg ford fiesta 1.4 lx, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 32, 300 miles, metallic panther black. adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd, rear headrests, full service history, finance packages available, contact gary cheetham for more help.insurance group:5, your contact for this car is gary cheetham, call and tell me about your p/x or to book a test drive. £5, 995, metallic panther black, £5995, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.25 Zetec Hatchback 3d 1242cc, 05, 2005 05 reg ford fiesta 1.25 zetec, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 6, 700 miles, metallic ink blue, 1 owner. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd, rear headrests, contact gary cheetham for more help, full service history. £7, 490, metallic ink blue, £7490, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 Zetec (a/c) Hatchback 3d 1388cc, 05, 2005 05 reg ford fiesta 1.4 zetec, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 13, 400 miles, metallic moondust silver, 1 owner. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd, rear headrests, contact gary cheetham for more help, full service history. £7, 490, metallic moondust silver, £7490, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 2.0 ST Hatchback 3d 1999cc, 54, 2004 54 reg ford fiesta 2.0 st, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 12, 000 miles, metallic performance blue, 1 owner. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd multichanger, rear headrests, sports seats, full service history, leather upholstery, contact gary cheetham for more help. £11, 994, metallic performance blue, £11994, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4TDCi LX (a/c) Hatchback 5d 1398cc, 03, 2003 03 reg ford fiesta 1.4 tdci lx, 5 doors, manual, hatchback, diesel, 17, 000 miles, metallic ink blue. adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd, rear headrests. please contact alistair mcewen £7, 000, metallic ink blue, £7000, SMC Ford Crayford, Crayford, 0845 3891135 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.6 Ghia Hatchback 5d 1596cc, 06, 2006 06 reg ford fiesta 1.6 ghia, 5 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 0 miles, metallic jeans. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, folding rear seats, leather seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd, rear headrests. please contact alistair mcewen £10, 500, metallic jeans, £10500, SMC Ford Crayford, Crayford, 0845 3891135 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.8 TDCi Zetec 5dr [Euro 4] [Climate Pack] (2005 -, 01/11/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, red, 16677 miles, £11999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec 5dr [115] [Climate Pack] (2005 -), 18/10/2006, cd player abs power steering immobiliser electric windows, silver, 8971 miles, £10299, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec 5dr [115] [Climate Pack] (2005 -), 18/10/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering electric windows, silver, 9346 miles, £10299, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec 5dr [115] [Climate Pack] (2005 -), 28/09/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, silver, 10786 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

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FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec 3dr [115] [Climate Pack], 31/12/2005, cd player abs driver airbag immobiliser electric windows, silver, 9700 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Ghia 5dr (2001 - 2004), 09/05/2003, cd player driver airbag power steering immobiliser, silver, 30038 miles, £6999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX, 2007, colorado red, 5 miles, £10995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec Automatic, 2004, magnum grey, 22000 miles, £6995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX, 2006, jeans, 12374 miles, £9195, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX, 2006, panther black, 13180 miles, £8995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2.0TDCi Titanium Hatchback 3d 1997cc, 55, 2005 55 reg ford focus 2.0 tdci titanium, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, diesel, 9, 000 miles, metallic jeans. automatic head lights, rain sensing wpiers, electronic temperature control, upgraded 17" alloys, bluetooth voice control, keyless entry, rear park assist, sony 6 cd changer, xenon head lights, heated leather seats, abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, folding rear seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, side airbags, rear headrests. please contact alistair mcewen £16, 000, metallic jeans, £16000, SMC Ford Crayford, Crayford, 0845 3891135 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec Automatic, 2004, machine silver, 12500 miles, £6995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Flight, 2004, colorado red, 24000 miles, £6295, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FUSION, 1.4 1 5dr, 31/03/2003, cd player driver airbag power steering immobiliser, red, 46836 miles, £4999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FUSION, 1.4 TDCi Zetec Climate, 2006, moondust silver, 9000 miles, £9995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FUSION, 1.6 100 2 Estate 5d 1596cc, 52, 52 reg ford fusion 1.6 2, 5 doors, manual, estate, petrol, metallic vitro. adjustable seats, air conditioning, computer, electric mirrors, electric windows, head restraints, folding rear seats, radio/cd, rear headrests, finance packages available, contact gary cheetham for more help.insurance group:6, £4, 995 p/x welcome, metallic vitro, miles, £4995, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

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GALAXY, 1.9TD Zetec MPV 5d 1896cc auto, 05, 2005 05 reg ford galaxy 1.9 td zetec, 5 doors, automatic, estate, diesel, 5, 000 miles, metallic shadow blue. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, head restraints, immobiliser, park distance control, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, roof rails, side airbags, radio/cd, rear headrests. please contact alistair mcewen £16, 000, metallic shadow blue, £16000, SMC Ford Crayford, Crayford, 0845 3891135 (TRADE)

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GALAXY, 1.9TD Zetec MPV 5d 1896cc, 03, 2003 03 reg ford galaxy 1.9 td zetec, 5 doors, manual, estate, diesel, 36, 200 miles, metallic silver. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, head restraints, immobiliser, park distance control, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, roof rails, side airbags, radio/cd, rear headrests, dvd, full service history, heated screen, locking wheel nuts, metallic paintwork. contact graeme noble for details. £12, 295 p/x welcome, metallic silver, £12295, SMC Ford Gravesend, Gravesend, 0845 3891134 (TRADE)

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GALAXY, 2005, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, storm grey, 16928 miles, £13995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

KA, 2003, pas a/bag, black, 32065 miles, £3995, WJ Kng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i Collection [70] 3dr, 2004, 1.3i collection [70] 3dr hatch, silver, 29643 miles, £4995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

KA, 2005, pas a/bag, black, 12135 miles, £4995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

KA, 2002, pas, blue, 26659 miles, £3995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bexleyheath, 020 8303 2299 (TRADE)

KA, 2005, a/con alloys cd pas, electric blue, 15872 miles, £5995, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

KA, 2006, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, black, 18592 miles, £6495, WJ King Vauxhall, Dartford, 01322 227581 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3, 2002, blue, 21000 miles, £3495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

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KA, 1.3i Style, 2004, 1 registered keeper drivers airbag power steering immobiliser, state blue, 33000 miles, £3693, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i Collection [70], 2003, insurance group 3 body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag immobiliser radio/cd, panther black, 19000 miles, £4293, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i Collection [70], 2003, insurance group 3 1 registered keeper body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag folding rear seats front electric windows immobiliser power steering radio/cd, moondust silver, 35000 miles, £4000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 2003, electric sunroof drivers airbag power steering immobiliser alloy wheels, metropolis blue, 31000 miles, £4000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3, 2005, insurance group 3 abs body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag front electric windows height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser power steering radio/cd 1 owner, magnum grey, 23000 miles, £4693, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3 Collection, 2002, insurance group 3 body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag folding rear seats front electric windows height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser power steering radio/cd 2 previous owners service history, ink blue, 28000 miles, £3493, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 1.6i Sportka SE, 2004, insurance group 6 1 registered keeper abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors immobiliser leather seats power steering radio/cd remote central locking, panther black, 20000 miles, £6000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i Collection [70], 2003, insurance group 3 body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag folding rear seats front electric windows immobiliser power steering radio/cd, moondust silver, 30000 miles, £4000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

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KA, 1.3i [70] 3dr (2002 - 2006), 01/07/2005, silver, 20817 miles, £5999, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i 3dr (1996 - 2002), 14/03/2005, grey, 11249 miles, £4999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.0TDCi 130 Zetec 5dr [Euro 4] (2005 - 2007), 07/07/2006, cd player abs driver airbag immobiliser cruise control silver, 22000 miles, £10499, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.0TDCi 130 LX 5dr [Euro 4] (2005 - 2007), 07/09/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser cruise control electric windows, silver, 17500 miles, £10999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.2TDCi 155 Ghia X 5dr (2005 - 2007), 28/04/2006, cd player abs alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser cruise control auto climate control heated seats electric windows, blue, 15225 miles, £13499, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.0TDCi 130 LX 5dr [Euro 4] (2005 - 2007), 01/07/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser cruise control electric windows, black, 12366 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 3.0 Titanium X Hatchback 5d 2967cc, 05, 2005 05 reg ford mondeo facelift model titanium x 3.0, 5 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 6, 000 miles, metallic blue. abs, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, climate control, computer, cruise control, driver airbag, electric windows, electrically adjustable seats, head restraints, folding rear seats, heated seats, leather seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, remote locking, side airbags, radio/cd, rear headrests, finance packages available, contact gary cheetham for more help. rear park assist, xenons £12, 995 p/x welcome, metallic blue, £12995, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 3.0 ST220 Saloon 4d 2967cc, 04, 2004 04 reg ford mondeo 3.0 v6 st220, 4 doors, manual, saloon, petrol, 25, 000 miles, metallic machine silver, 1 owner. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, electrically adjustable seats, head restraints, leather seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, remote locking, side airbags, radio/cd multichanger, rear headrests, sports seats, traction control, contact gary cheetham for more help, full service history, electric sun roof. £14, 995, metallic machine silver, £14995, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

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JAZZ, Se 1.4, 2002, green, 30086 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

JAZZ, 2002, cd c/lock e/wind pas a/bag, silver, 41900 miles, £5995, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

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AMICA, 1.1 CDX, 2006, silver, 6800 miles, £5495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

AMICA, Gsi 1.0, 2001, blue, 35434 miles, £2995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

COUPE, Se 2.0, 2006, blue, 4152 miles, £12995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

COUPE, 1.6 S Coupe 3d 1599cc, 02, 2002 02 reg hyundai coupe 1.6 s, 3 doors, manual, coupe, petrol, blue. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, head restraints, lumbar support, passenger airbag, radio/cd, power assisted steering, side airbags. £7, 999 p/x welcome, blue, miles, £7999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

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GETZ, CDX 1.3, 2005, red, 7856 miles, £6995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, Cdx 1.1, 2004, black, 27571 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, 1.1 Gsi 3dr, 2004, seaside blue, 12000 miles, £4495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, 1.3 Gsi, 2003, seaside blue, 30000 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, 1.3 CDX, 2003, blue metallic, 30000 miles, £4795, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

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CARENS, 2.0 CRDi LE Automatic Diesel, 2006, insurance group 9 abs air conditioning body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser leather seats passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking roof rails steering wheel rake adjustment, cool silver, 12110 miles, £10495, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

CARENS, 2.0 CRDI GS Automatic Diesel [7 Seat], 2007, insurance group 10 abs air conditioning side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment, spring mlf, 30 miles, £14495, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

CARENS, 2.0 CRDI LS [7 Seat] Diesel, 2007, insurance group 10 abs alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking reverse parking aid roof rails side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, graphite grey, 1400 miles, £14495, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

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IS, 200 2.0 SE, 2002, insurance group 12 1 registered keeper abs alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electric sunroof electrically adjustable drivers seat electrically adjustable passenger seat folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights headlight washers heated front seat height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd radio/cd multichanger rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags trip computer, autum gold, 66000 miles, £6693, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

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ZR, 1.4 105 Hatchback 3d 1396cc, 03, 2003 03 reg mg zr 1.4 105, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 17,000 miles, metallic grey. adjustable steering column/wheel, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, radio/cassette, sports seats, contact gary cheetham for more help, full service history. £6, 990, metallic grey, £6990, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

ZR, 1.8 VVC 160 3dr, 12/03/2004, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 22000 miles, £5999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

ZS, + 1.8, 2002, silver, 41124 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

ZS, 2.5 180 Saloon 4d 2497cc, 53, 2003 53 reg mg zs 2.5 180, 4 doors, manual, saloon, petrol, metallic black. abs, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, immobiliser, head restraints, lumbar support, passenger airbag, radio/cassette, remote locking, side airbags, sports seats. this is a stunning looking vehicles £7, 999 p/x welcome, metallic black, miles, £7999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

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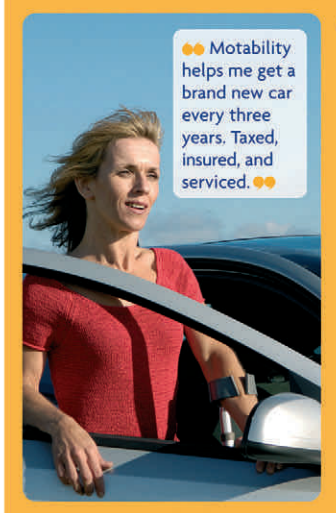
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Spa hotel gets a new owner

THE former boss of Marston Hotels has bought the Spa Hotel in Tunbridge Wells.

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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With funding from the Royal Bank of Scotland, Scragg Hotels Ltd will take over the Spa.

The company is run by Chris Scragg, and the Spa will be his first purchase.

The Kent-born hotelier was chairman, managing director and significant shareholder of Marston Hotels until its sale last year.

The Spa has 69 rooms and is set in 14 acres. It dates back to 1880 and since 1966 has been in the ownership of the Goring Family.

It boasts a fully equipped spa and an array of other leisure and dining facilities as well as one of the largest function venues in the area.

Mr Scragg is planning a substantial refurbishment programme, which will see the hotel reinforce its position as one of the best all round 4-star hotels in the area.

He said: "I am delighted with the purchase of The Spa Hotel and am grateful to the RBS team for putting the financial solution in place.

"We know RBS managers well from the years they were bankers to Marston Hotels and they impressed us with their highly competitive terms and hotel sector knowledge.

"The process of arranging the finance through to completion of the transaction was remarkably smooth."

David Addenbrooke, who led the RBS team, added: "We are absolutely delighted to continue our longstanding relationship with Chris Scragg and members of the Marston Family.

"Chris has a first class record of developing, refurbishing and operating provincial 4-star hotels and we have no doubt that the Spa Hotel will enjoy significant success under the stewardship of Scragg Hotels."

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Business Link Kent said it welcomed the finding in a government-commissioned study.

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A study on just how effective good advice is to the success of a business found that for every £1 spent, the economy benefited to the tune of just over £2 thanks to more efficient business practices.

Business Link advisers are currently hosting regular free clinics across the county. For more information go to www.eventskent.co.uk/advice.

Location part of business success

AN award-winning company has attributed much of its success to its location at Kings Hill.

Cabot Financial Limited said it has seen dramatic growth after moving into the development near Maidstone.

It has a 20-year lease on a new 43,000sqft head office, designed by Michael Kilgour Associates at 1 Kings Hill Avenue, next to the David Lloyd leisure centre.

The consumer debt purchase company has won Business of the Year and Employer of the Year in the South East England region of the Orange National Business Awards.

Group chief executive Ken Maynard said: "We won Business of the Year for our exceptional financial returns and dominance of the UK market, and Employer of the Year for our excellent staff attendance record, retention and motivation.

"I feel this is in no small part due to our surroundings. Kings Hill is a great place to work, with high specification offices, its own shops and restaurants, plenty of parking and lots of open green space.

"Such a good environment makes life less stressful and certainly helps in recruiting top quality staff.

"We currently employ over 330 people but hope to increase this to over 450 in the next three years. I am sure our location, as well as our awards, will help our recruitment drive."

Funding for care homes helps dementia sufferers

TWENTY new wings are being built on care homes across Kent to cater for a growing number of patients suffering from dementia.

With the help of funding from NatWest, the wings will be developed at homes run by a charity, The Abbeyfield Kent Society, which looks after 460 residents.

Realising the increasing local need for specialist dementia care centres, the organisation is embarking upon a redevelopment program of its care homes across the region creating 20 new rooms for existing and new residents.

David Osborne, of NatWest in Kent, said: "The need for specialist dementia care across the region continues to grow and the care team at Abbeyfield Kent have addressed this need by putting in place a strategy to support local residents requiring this specialist care."

Abbeyfield employs 600 staff in Kent at its six Supported Sheltered Homes and 10 care homes.



CARE: David Osborne (NatWest) with Abbeyfield management team

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Inspirational talk from blind skier

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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A RECORD-BREAKING blind skier has given a motivational talk to Kent businessmen and women.

Kevin Alderton has plunged down a mountainside at a staggering 100.94mph despite having lost his sight in a street attack.

The former military man told delegates at a corporate event how he overcame adversity to achieve success – adapt, improvise and overcome.

The inspirational message was delivered to a packed room at an Institute of Directors business breakfast.

Mr Alderton said he overcame his disability to achieve his dreams. As a platoon sergeant and military ski instructor, he had served his country all over the world in the Gulf, Belize, Kosovo and Northern Ireland.

But at the age of 28 he was blinded in an attack and despite the efforts of surgeons, retained just five per cent sight.



INSPIRING: Kevin Alderton

He told the meeting of his own inspiration: another former military man, Billy Baxter, who set records on the back of a motorbike. He had lost his sight in an attack in Bosnia.

Mr Alderton now holds his own records indoors and out and is also part of Great Britain squad in downhill, slalom, giant slalom and Super G. He is aiming to make the team for the 2010 Paralympics in Vancouver and is targeting nothing less than gold.

He said: "It's about change, opportunity and commitment – people see my story as inspirational but it is just my story.

"We are human beings and we adapt, improvise and overcome in life – it's all part of own tapestry. You can't change yesterday but you can change tomorrow."

Kent IoD chairman Frazer Thompson said: "Kevin's tale was an amazing story of how human beings can achieve their goals no matter what adversity or obstacles lie in their path.

"He had a room full of business people and entrepreneurs spellbound with the inspirational account of his life and how he had come be a world record breaker.

"Everyone can take something from Kevin's story and apply it in some small way to their own ambitions and dreams."

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THE growth in demand for UK manufactured goods has slowed slightly but remains firm, according to the CBI.

CBI South East Regional Director Malcolm Hyde said of the latest quarterly survey of Industrial Trends: "While recent manufacturing growth looks to have moved down a notch, we should not be speculating about an end to this year's recovery.

"Many signs point to a fairly healthy outlook.

"UK exports had been resolute in the face of a strong pound for a number of months but a combination of a slower US economy and increases in the price of oil, commodities and freight is beginning to tell for exporters."



CHEF: Mark Gilchrist

It's game on for winning chef

A CHEF has won this year's Young Entrepreneur of the Year competition run by the Institute of Directors.

Mark Gilchrist produces high quality game pies, and took the award after seeing off competition from a myriad of other firms.

The judges were also impressed by his inspirational DVD aimed at young people just setting out in the commercial world.

His company, Game For Everything, in Rolvenden, produces a range of home-made game pies as well as hampers using fresh seasonal produce.

The company, now in its second year, also caters for large events including weddings and gives cookery demonstrations.

Mr Gilchrist, 26, said: "I want to take a different approach to game to what has gone before which has usually been preaching to the converted. I want to engage new audiences so more people know what to do when presented with a rabbit or a wood pigeon."



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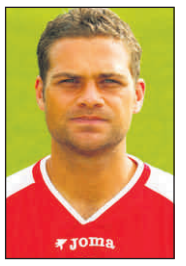
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Young in Boro switch



FOOTBALL: Charlton skipper Luke Young has completed a £2.5m move to Premiership club Middlesbrough.

The 28-year-old, who made more than 200 appearances for the club, signed a four-year deal with Gareth Southgate's team.

He was spotted at the club last weekend and underwent a medical on Tuesday.

He joins a growing list of big names who have quit the Addicks since they were relegated from the Premiership last season.



Byrne tribute to tragic youngster

MOTORSPORT: Shane Byrne paid a moving tribute to tragic young British Superbike racer Ollie Bridewell as the Sheppey racer secured his first win of the season.

His victory was marred by the death of Bridewell, 21, after he crashed during free practice for last weekend's championship round at Mallory Park.

The Sheppey racer, 30, said: "Ollie Bridewell lost his life doing the thing he loved – riding his bike.

"In all the times I spoke or saw him I can't remember him not having a smile on his face – he was a real happy kid."

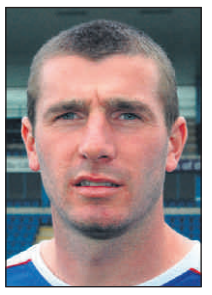
Woolmer widow's wish

CRICKET: Talks are continuing this weekend in an effort to get a fund-raising match between India and Pakistan in order to raise funds for a project initiated by the late Kent hero Bob Woolmer.

It is hoped the two sides will meet later this year with all monies raised going towards a cricket academy in Woolmer's adopted homeland of South Africa – but only if a gap in the calendar can be found.

The former England Test star had been working on launching the academy with South African legend Jonty Rhodes prior to his death during the ICC Cricket World Cup in Jamaica in March. Woolmer's widow Gill is behind the push to stage the game.

Pouts set for move



FOOTBALL: Ex-Gillingham midfielder Alan Pouton is set to sign a contract with Ryman League Dover Athletic this weekend.

Whites boss Andy Hessenthaler has offered the 30-year-old – who was forced to quit the Gills through injury – a deal, along with goalkeeper Dean Ruddy.

Pouton played – and scored – during last weekend's 2-1 defeat against Gillingham at the Crabble. Ruddy played for Horsham YMCA last season.

Dover face Crystal Palace in a pre-season game on Tuesday where they will unveil their new strip and sponsor.

Archers target glory

World's finest to descend upon White Cliffs

By **CHRIS BRITCHER**

SPORT chiefs say this week's Archery World Cup event in Dover will be only the tip of the iceberg as the county looks to establish itself as a major host of top events.

Around 350 of the top archers from all four corners of the world will descend on the port town to take part in the six-day tournament which gets underway on Tuesday.

They will compete at the Duke of York School, with the town hoping to benefit from a £500,000 boom to the local economy.

And with Kent County Council's sports division getting ready to lobby hard to host a number of training camps for international teams in the years running up to the 2012 Olympic Games in London, it is hoped a number of other events will soon be heading to the county.



IN SIGHT: Six day World Cup tournament gets underway in Dover on Tuesday

Benefit

Chris Hespe, head of sport, leisure and Olympics at Kent County Council and chairman of the Kent campaign for the 2012 Games, told KoS: "As we approach 2012 and beyond we know Kent will be seen more and more as a venue for such events.

"It brings economic benefit and raises the profile of the sports we stage.

"We want a number of pre-Games training camps off the back of this and will be holding seminars with the team captains during the week when we will outline what we can offer for archers. We want them to come back prior to and during 2012.

"We just want more events in the future. By staging archery there's more chance they will come back."

The county is still buzzing from the huge success of staging the opening stage of the Tour de France earlier this month when two million people poured onto the streets to watch as hundreds of millions around the world tuned in to watch.

Hespe also revealed they were approaching top international names plying their trade in local sporting circles to act in an unofficial ambassadorial role for the county when they jet out of the UK.

"We've spoken to a number of them who have been briefed about Kent's willingness on training camps.

"We can't reveal who they are at this stage, but the hope is they will go out and spread the word on our behalf."

Don't expect the biggest sports however. The focus is very much on bringing in more minority sports, with events such as kite-surfing looking to hold events in the county.

Hespe added: "We are being approached by a number of minority sports – but you have to remember many of them are Olympic sports."

By staging this week's fourth leg of the Meteksan World Archery Cup and the third and final leg of the EMAU European Grand Prix in Dover this week, Kent has already been designated a national development centre for the sport by the Grand National Archery Society.

Hespe concluded: "We have secured £120,000 form Sport England spread over three years to run an archery development project in clubs and schools off back of this event – that is the legacy aspect of staging it."

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Dickson's got the X-factor

AFTER the sunshine of Spain, Kent is providing the backdrop for the latest phase of Charlton's pre-season campaign.

Fresh from a successful training camp in Malaga, the Addicks headed back to England earlier this week and contested a friendly with Gillingham yesterday.

Alan Pardew's squad will then double up again in midweek with sides scheduled to take on Blue Square Premier duo Ebbsfleet United and Aldershot Town on Wednesday.

Charlton share a neighbourly bond with the Fleet with their reserve team continuing to use Stonebridge Road as their home venue in the new season.

Links

The ground also recently hosted the club's women's team and there are several Addicks links in the Fleet ranks with the likes of Mark Ricketts, Stacy Long, Mark DeBolla and Onome Sodje all featuring last season.

And manager Liam Daish's assistant, Garry Kimble, also has his own place in Addicks legend making up one half of the only identical twins to play for the club.

Having narrowly missed out on the play-offs last term, Fleet will no doubt be setting their targets a touch higher this time round and should provide handy opponents to Pardew's resolute troops.

But for a behind-closed-doors 3-3 draw at Chelsea's training ground, the Addicks have yet to concede in pre-season, racking up two encouraging wins against Malaga and Marbella in Spain.

Two first half penalties from Jerome Thomas and a fine solo effort from Martin Christensen sealed a 3-0 win over Malaga in a private friendly while ex-Erith & Belvedere striker Chris Dickson coolly claimed the winner in Marbella's Estadio Municipal.

The striker had proved a star off the field 24-hours earlier as the Addicks, balancing hard sessions on the training pitch with team-bonding off it, helped their newcomers settle in.

All the summer recruits, both staff and players, were required to impress a three-man 'X Factor' panel, with Chris Iwelumo and development manager Niall Clark taking the respective honours, while 'guest' Dickson wowed the audience with his own remix of Oasis and Kanye West.

Spirits have been high in the Charlton camp throughout the trip, with the Addicks management reporting no injuries.



TEAM PLAYER: Chris Dickson has helped Addicks' new boys settle in

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Twenty20 finals a day to savour

Skipper out to end county's trophy drought



THIS coming Saturday will be a massive day in our season, and it could also turn out to be one of the biggest days in the history of Kent cricket.

All I hope is that, after several weeks of intense frustration in the County Championship, the Twenty20 Cup will provide us with the success we have long sought, and worked for.

We have a tough semi-final against Sussex to prepare for before we can even think about playing in the final during the evening, against either Lancashire or Gloucestershire, but we are in the mood to surprise a few people. One thing's for sure, it will be entertaining.

As captain, I am looking forward to the day hugely because I have really enjoyed the competition so far this season. It's been great fun, and very rewarding too to see the team grow in confidence and self-belief in this format.



IMPROVED: Rob Key says the form of players such as Joe Denly (top right) and James Tredwell have turned Kent into a strong one-day outfit Pictures: ADY KERRY

The biggest reason for Kent's success in the Twenty20 so far is our individual skill. The players have quickly learned what it takes, either as a batsman or a bowler, to be a match-winner in these games.

Take Simon Cook, for example. Against Sussex, in one of our early group matches, he got tapped around a bit as Luke Wright and others won the game for them. But, in just a matter of days, Cooky taught himself to bowl a completely new type of slower ball and worked out how he was going to bowl in the remaining games.

He then proceeded not only to dismiss Mark Ramprakash twice and Azhar Mahmood once with that new slower ball but also to become the best bowler in the competition by the time we were playing our quarter-final against Nottinghamshire.

At Trent Bridge, in fact, in that game against Notts, both Cooky and James Tredwell – who has been another of our best bowlers throughout the event – were the ones to pull the match around in our favour after the Notts openers had got off to a flier.

I know I've mentioned him before in this column as a potential one-day cricketer for England, but I am amazed that Tredders was not included in England's initial 30-man squad for the Twenty20 World Cup. He showed once again in the quarter-final win at Notts just how clever and effective a bowler he is when the pressure is really on in a limited-overs situation.

Twenty20 cricket is, actually, a real test for county players because the games are played before such big crowds and in such a magic atmosphere.

Unfortunately, due to my hamstring injury, I didn't play in our group match against Surrey at the Oval, where 24,000 people turned up to watch, but it was a real thrill just to be there on the sidelines and to see the Kent team finally lay our Surrey bogey to rest and win such an important game.

For Darren Stevens, who played the match-winning innings in that game, and for Joe Denly, who batted so well to see us home against Nottinghamshire, it was confirmation to me that these are cricketers with the mental strength – as well as the ability – to perform at the highest level.

And for Joe in particular, who is a young lad in his first full season in county cricket, it says something special that he could produce an innings like that on the big stage.

It will be a shame, however, if we have to go into Finals Day next Saturday without either Andrew Hall or Morne Morkel as one of our overseas players – because Morne made an impact with his pace during the Twenty20 group matches, and Andrew is simply one of the best one-day cricketers in the world.

But, whatever happens, I think other teams are now beginning to realise Kent are no longer a pushover in limited-overs cricket – in whatever format.

Although we made a bit of a hash of the Friends Provident Trophy – failing to reach the semi-finals by losing our last two group matches after we had initially played so well to dominate the South Conference – overall we have been one of the best one-day teams in the country all season.

Already, people are saying they cannot believe we are in the second division of the NatWest Pro40, and by the end of the summer I believe we will have won promotion in that competition.

As for the Championship, the debacle at Worcester and the cruel way the weather robbed us of victory against Warwickshire at Canterbury at the start of last week has cost us perhaps 20 or even 30 more points.

Rather than finding ourselves down in the bottom half of the Championship table, we have played cricket good enough to see us up near the top of what is a competitive first division this season.

Warwickshire, indeed, were out-batted and out-bowled by us at Canterbury and it was a travesty that more rain arrived at lunch on the final day, which prevented us from taking their last three second-innings wickets and earning ourselves an innings win.

At least the cancellation of the rearranged Worcestershire match has given us the chance to prepare thoroughly for Twenty20 Cup finals day. So let's hope all our recent frustrations are forgotten at Edgbaston next Saturday night.

• ***Rob Key, the Kent captain and England batsman, is one of Kent on Sunday's regular sports columnists.***



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The lucky winners will take their seats and get to watch a feast of cricket in the crowd-pleasing, quick-fire game.

First up will be the first semi-final between the Lancashire Lightning and the Gloucestershire Gladiators, running between 11.30am and 2.15pm.

Then the Kent Spitfires take on neighbours the Sussex Sharks between 3pm and 5pm as they look to secure a final berth.

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KENT HAVE A POINT TO PROVE

Fuming club chiefs threaten legal action after ECB U-turn



ON A POSITIVE NOTE: Kent skipper Rob Key says the team's appearance in the Twenty20 Cup finals day heralds the club's rebirth as a potent one-day force Picture: ADY KERRY

By **CHRIS BRITCHER**

WITH less than a week to go before what skipper Rob Key describes as "one of the biggest days in the club's history", Kent have found themselves at the centre of what could become a messy legal battle.

Club chiefs were left fuming this week after the ECB controversially reversed a decision to replay the abandoned County Championship with Worcestershire this week.

In particular they were angered after four clubs blocked a proposal to award Kent nine points from the game.

The ECB proposed the gesture to reflect Kent's innocence in the New Road fiasco earlier this month, which saw the game called off after three days due to a drenched outfield.

Worcestershire chiefs had previously rejected moving the match to Kidderminster – or Kent's offer of Beckenham – despite New Road being under four-foot of flood water just 10 days before the game was due to start.

Appeal

Although the ECB ordered the game to be replayed after an appeal by Kent, this week they changed their decision after complaints from other clubs who thought the decision "unfair" as it could benefit Worcestershire.

But Durham, Lancashire, Warwickshire and Yorkshire all rejected a call for Kent to receive nine points – their average haul this season – rather than both sides receiving four each. All four sides currently sit above Kent in the table.

An ECB spokesman explained: "Whilst the board has great sympathy for Kent it is recognised the rescheduling of the match could lead to an inadvertent benefit to Worcestershire.

"The board was advised the option of awarding points to Kent would require unanimity from counties in Division 1 of the LV County Championship, which was not forthcoming."

It all comes just days before the Spitfires travel to Edgbaston for the Twenty20 Cup finals day.

Now Kent chiefs say they are considering legal action.

Chairman Carl Openshaw said: "We find it extraordinary four counties should have decided to overturn the ECB's proposal to resolve this matter for what can only be regarded as reasons of self-interest.

"From the outset, it was recognised Kent were the totally innocent party.

"The Kent players, who sat through predominantly fine weather at Worcester with no prospect of play and who have seen recent matches relocated in similar circumstances, feel cheated and the members and supporters of Kent have been badly let down.

"We are continuing to consider our position in this matter and reserving our legal rights."

Meanwhile, the club is set to be without South African Andrew Hall for next weekend's trip to Warwickshire for finals day – and the rest of the season – as he jets off to join South Africa on international duty.

Rob Key, writing in his exclusive column for Kent on Sunday today, said: "It will be a shame if we are without either Andrew Hall or Morne Morkel as one of our overseas players.

"Morne made quite an impact with his pace during the Twenty20 group matches, and Andrew is simply one of the best one-day cricketers in the world.

"But, whatever happens, I think other teams are now beginning to realise that Kent are no longer a pushover in limited-overs cricket – in whatever format.

"Saturday will be a massive day in our season, and it could also be one of the biggest days in the history of Kent cricket."

• Today's Pro40 match with the Derbyshire Phantoms has been moved due to the weather. The Spitfires will now travel to the County Ground at Derby, rather than Chesterfield as originally scheduled.

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Royce ready to roll into Priestfield



KEEPER HUNT: Ronnie Jepson

GILLINGHAM boss Ronnie Jepson says he hopes to confirm goalkeeper Simon Royce will sign for the club this week.

The QPR shot-stopper has been training with the Gills over recent weeks, having come to Priestfield on loan last season.

Should he sign, it will finally resolve the goalkeeper issue at the club. Derek Stillie signed from Scottish Premier League side Dundee United earlier this week, with the injury-prone Kelvin Jack seemingly slipping further down the pecking order.

Jepson said: "Derek is an experienced keeper and if we can add Royce maybe at the end of the month alongside him then it will add plenty of competition for places.

"The goalkeeper situation was a bit of a nightmare for me last season. It will just be nice to have numerous keepers to choose from."

And more outfield signings are in the pipeline with Jepson looking at some further new faces to strengthen the new-look squad in time for the season opener in two weeks time.

Jepson added: "With one or two more additions, things will look good for the future. The sooner we can get them in, the better."

Among those players Jepson says he remains interested in are Charlton's young starlet Chris Dickson, Torquay's David Graham and former Swansea striker Adebayo Akinfenwa.